

\$9.5 MILLION BACK PAY Govt. And Defence Personnel To Benefit Conditions For Lodging Claims

West River Rising

Canton, May 26. The West River is still rising as the result of further rains, and fears of further floods along the Kwangtung-Kwangsi border have been heightened.

Dyke officials throughout the area are keeping a sharp watch, according to latest arrivals in Canton from the West River districts.—Reuter.

Arab Advance Continues

London, May 26. Transjordan Arab forces, announcing continued advances today on the central front around Jerusalem, claimed last night that 600 Jews were killed in a battle for Latrun, control point along the Jewish convoy highway from Jerusalem to Tel-Aviv, 20 miles west of the Holy City.

An Arab Legion communiqué issued at Amman said: "The attacking Jewish force was completely eliminated and Jewish casualties were 600. The battle, which had raged for 24 hours, ended yesterday."

An Arab spokesman in Jerusalem itself said that the Jews were believed to have abandoned all efforts to relieve the Jewish forces trapped under the smashing Arab gunfire in the now almost completely shelled Jewish quarter of the old city.

At the same time, in the Transjordan capital, leaders of the five Arab states fighting in Palestine, mulled over the Security Council cease-fire order, the 48-hour extension of which expires today at 5.00 p.m. (GMT).

The Arab League Political Committee, meeting with the other Arab leaders at Amman, was said to be trying for a compromise proposal, which would bring peace and at the same time not force the Arabs to abandon the principle of a United States in Palestine.

Authoritative sources in Cairo said last night that when the Security Council meets again, the Arab leaders will lay down three conditions for the acceptance of the cease-fire order:

1. The dissolution of all Zionist groups in Palestine.

2. A halt to Jewish immigration.

3. The denunciation by the Jews of their newly proclaimed state.

At the same time, the Israel Government declared in a cable to Lake Success that it must review its position in relation to the 48-hour extension of the cease-fire order by the Council, adding that the Council will be informed of its decision "in due course".—Reuter.

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The Secretary of State for the Colonies has now signified his approval to the Hong Kong Government's recommendations regarding back pay for government servants, Volunteers and members of the Civil Defence Service in respect of the period during which the Colony was under enemy occupation.

The Government's recommendations to the Secretary of State were based on the proposals of a Committee appointed by Sir Mark Young on August 16, 1946, in order to "examine the position of Government servants, Volunteers and Civil Defence Personnel who were not interned during the Japanese occupation of the Colony and to make recommendations regarding the award of salary or pay in respect of that period".

The Committee, under the Chairmanship of Mr. T. R. Rowell, Director of Education, was composed of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, C.B.E., Dr. the Hon. S. N. Chau, Mr. P. C. M. Sedgwick, Mr. I. S. Wan and Mr. Chung King-put with Mr. M. D. A. Clinton, G.M., as Secretary.

A certain number of modifications were made by the Secretary of State in the light of representations received from other British Far Eastern territories but the final scheme does not materially depart in its essential principles from the Committee's recommendations.

The main details of the scheme which is estimated to cost about £1.4 million dollars are as follows:

Civil Defence Services, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps and Hong Kong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

Subject to the conditions set out in paragraph 11 below, (a) those who joined or were enrolled on or before Dec. 7, 1941, will receive arrears of pay for the appropriate period in December 1941 together with an ex-gratia grant of three months pay.

(b) those who joined on or after Dec. 8, 1941, will receive arrears of pay for the appropriate period in December, 1941, together with an ex-gratia grant of one month's pay.

In the case of Volunteers, only those who were deemed to have been demobilized on Dec. 25, 1941, and are not eligible for full release benefits will qualify for the above awards, and advances of arrears of December, 1941, pay will be deducted.

Govt. Servants

Subject to the conditions set out below Government servants may be granted the following ex-gratia payments:

(a) Monthly paid staff

An ex-gratia grant of half pay for the occupation period, i.e. 22 months' salary.

(b) Daily paid employees

Those with 10 or more years service as on 25th December, 1941, an ex-gratia grant of 330 days pay and those with under 10 years service on that date £60 days pay.

With certain exceptions Government servants must have resumed duty not later than March

YARD GOING ALL OUT TO CATCH MURDERER

Blackburn, May 25. Chief Inspector John Capstick of Scotland Yard said today that investigations into the recent series of children's murders would go on a 24-hour basis until the cases were solved.

"There is no time limit, that is how hours to the day," said Inspector Capstick. In referring to police efforts to locate the brutal slayer of four-year-old June Devenyck at Blackburn 11 days ago and an 11-year-old boy at Farnworth six weeks ago.

Inspector Capstick is in charge of both cases.

"This is a job that must be done thoroughly and that is how it is being done," he said.

Detectives were still taking the fingerprints of 30,000 males living in the Blackburn area, in hopes that a set can be found matching prints on the hospital bed from which June was abducted before her murder.

Meanwhile, the London authorities continued combing Potter's Bar golf course, where the right arm and paw of a human male were found last Saturday.

Fingerprint experts so far have failed to get an impression from the badly-decomposed fingers. The medical authorities estimated that the member was crudely hacked off the body of a young man and thrown into the pond at the golf course about a month ago.

Police teams were draining other water hazards on the course today and checking the missing Devenyck's home.—United Press.

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Procedure For Payment

(a) Payments to members of the Civil Defence Services and Volunteers will commence immediately. Members of the H.K.V.D.C. affected are required to submit claims to the Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C., in accordance with instructions which will appear in the Corps Orders as published every Friday in the English daily press. Members of the H.K.R.N.V.R. affected will be notified in the daily press as to how they should submit their claims. Only those members of the Civil Defence Services who are NOT Government servants and who have not already notified either the Colonial Secretary or the Treasury need submit claims now and such claims should be addressed to the Accountant-General, Prince's Building, Ice House Street, Hong Kong. Claims may be written in English or Chinese and claimants should state which particular service they were in rank held, and the date on which they joined. Claims will be subject to close scrutiny and persons may be requested to make statutory declaration in support of their claims.

(b) Owing to pressure of work in the Treasury as a result of the Salaries Commission, payment to Government servants cannot be made immediately but will commence as soon as possible.

(c) Side-Effects

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Shanghai Policemen Kidnapped

Shanghai, May 26. Three policemen were kidnapped and more than 10 others injured, one seriously, in a clash between convalescent soldiers and the police in what may be called a "tragedy of errors" last night.

The trouble started when a convalescent soldier quarrelled with a policeman and was taken to a police station. Other convalescent soldiers stormed the premises beat up policeman and carried away three others.

The soldiers also beat up three Chinese Navy seamen who were dressed in uniform similar to the police.

The police reported subsequently that five pistols and rifles were missing as a result of the attack. Convalescent soldiers numbering more than 1,500 are at present billeted in Shanghai, most of them from Manchuria. They have participated in several serious incidents, including gate-crashing of Chinese theatres.—United Press.

Communist Refused Election

Prestatyn, May 25. Mr. E. J. Hicks, avowed Communist, was refused re-election as acting President of the Civil Service Clerical Association and delegates appointed a Right Wing candidate today.

Members of the anti-Communist Committee of the Association claimed that Mr. Hicks did not even have the support of workers in the branch of the Air Ministry where he was employed.

After two attempts at voting were bogged down in confusion, the final tally gave 3,091 votes against Hicks and 2,009 for him.

Mr. W. E. Leftly was appointed President by 2,498 votes. He was the anti-Communist group's candidate.—United Press.

Mr. Fulton Sheen's broadcast over ZIILW today will be at 9.30 p.m. The address will be on "China and Christianity."

PENICILLIN AND STREPTOMYCIN CONTROL

The sale and supply of Penicillin and Streptomycin in the Colony will be controlled, when an Ordinance introduced in Legislative Council for first reading yesterday by the Acting Director of Medical Services (Dr. G. H. Thomas) becomes law.

Explaining the necessity for the measure, the Acting D.M.S. said:

"Penicillin and streptomycin, the products of certain lowly and despised moulds, are now almost household words. Fame has been thrust upon them. They are lauded as sovereign remedies for all diseases of bacterial origin. They are in great demand. There are no restrictions in this Colony at present on their sale and supply and administration by way of treatment.

"Penicillin, if used unscientifically in regard to dosage, could do harm in that the infecting germs, instead of being destroyed, may become tolerant to its action and reproduce strains resistant to itself and to other substances of a similar nature. If such a state of affairs should ever become world-wide, penicillin would indeed be a misfortune instead of a blessing to mankind.

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CARDINAL SPELLMAN IN COLONY



Francis Cardinal Spellman and his party of 16, who are now touring the Catholic centres and missionary institutions in the Far East, arrived here yesterday from Canton.

Travelling in a chartered C.N.A.C. plane, they landed at Kai Tak in the afternoon. Among those who met the party were Bishop Valtorta, Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong, the aide-de-camp to the Governor, Captain Wilson, the U.S. Consul General, and a delegation from the local Catholic institutions, headed by Father Joy.

Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop Gerald T. Bergan, Magistrate Fulton J. Sheen and Magistrate Thomas McMahon will be the guests of the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham during their stay. The rest of the party is accommodated with the Maryknoll Fathers at Stanley. They plan a short visit to Macao during their Hong Kong stay.

Tea Reception

They will leave Hong Kong for Manila, Nanking, Peking and Tsingtao on Friday.

The Committee in charge of arrangements for the Tea Reception to be given to Cardinal Spellman and his party at 5.30 p.m. today at the Hong Kong Hotel announce that all available accommodation has been allotted, and that admission will definitely be by ticket only. Guests are therefore reminded to bring their tickets.

Tickets have been sent to all who accepted the official invitation, and to those who (in response to a notice published on Saturday, May 22) applied for tickets and whose applications were received before all accommodation had been allotted.

The tables for invited guests are marked "reserved" and the table letter or number is entered on each ticket. Any unreserved table may be occupied by those whose tickets do not bear table letters or numbers.

Cardinal Spellman will visit Macao tomorrow at the invitation of the Bishop of Macao.

A special plane, chartered by the Macao Government, will leave Kai Tak at 7 a.m. and one hour later Cardinal Spellman will celebrate Mass at Macao Cathedral.

The Cardinal will lunch in Macao and return to Hong Kong the following day.

OUTSTANDING WAR DEBT OF \$72,730,000

Government's outstanding war liabilities amount to \$72,730,000, according to a statement made by the Acting Financial Secretary (Mr. A. G. Clarke) in Legislative Council yesterday, in reply to a question from the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, K.C.

Replies to another question from Mr. d'Almada as to how Government propose to make use of the free grant of £1,000,000 from the Home Government to assist the Colony in resolving problems arising out of war expenditure, the Acting Financial Secretary said the grant will be taken into general revenue in accordance with established accounting procedure.

Mr. Clarke said: "The following are the known outstanding liabilities in round figures:

(a) Volunteer pay and pensions	\$ 5,750,000
(b) Reparation passages for non-officials	\$ 1,525,000
(c) Payments to Civil Defence Workers	\$ 5,688,000
(d) Relief payments and advances made in Australia, Macao & Free China	\$ 8,222,000
(e) Reinstatement of Note Security Funds liquidated by the enemy	\$ 10,300,000
(f) Salaries for non-interned officers during the occupation period	\$ 9,500,000
(g) Small craft supplied by the Ministry of Transport	\$ 3,187,000
(h) Accounts outstanding in respect of the operation of the Shipping Control Board 1940-41	\$ 3,500,000
(i) Claims in respect of requisitioned material	\$ 25,000,000
Total	\$72,730,000

"This will enable all liabilities referred to above to be met from expenditure with the exception of the final item, which is an approximate estimate of a legal liability which this Government must assume.

"So far as can be seen, liability only exists in the case of requisitioned vessels for damage or loss occurring during the period of requisitioning, and the question of whether U.K. service departments can properly accept charges arising out of such claims can only be shown after examination of the facts in each case and of the existing practice of respective departments.

"This examination is now taking place in consultation with this Government. In brief, apart from the final item, the Colony can discharge its outstanding liabilities and show a balance of approximately \$10,000,000."

The Hon. Mr. D. F. Landale pointed out that the items set out by the Acting Financial Secretary in reply to question (b) made no reference to the claims against the War Supplies Board, and he asked Government to state what the position is in regard to these claims.

The Acting Financial Secretary replied that he would get up an answer to this supplementary question and circulate it to members before the next Council meeting.

FIRE IN TANKER

Two fire appliances were rushed to Taikuo Docks shortly after 10 o'clock last night in response to a message that a fire had broken out in one of the tanks of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co.'s 3,350-ton ship "Adinda".

The firemen found that the residue of oil in one of the front tanks was alight. The fire was put out in a very short time.

The "Adinda" arrived at Hong Kong on April 7 from Singapore and docked at Taikuo Docks for a "surgeon operation." Her bow, damaged by a mine at Tientsin in 1941, has been removed and a new one is now being fitted on.

The "Adinda" will leave Kai Tak at 7 a.m. and one hour later Cardinal Spellman will celebrate Mass at Macao Cathedral.

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Queen Mary's 81st Birthday

London, May 26. Queen Mary celebrated her 81st birthday today. At Marlborough House, telegrams and messages of greeting began to arrive early in the morning. Flags flew over Government offices and public buildings in honour of the day.

There were no formal celebrations, but the King and Queen had planned a family birthday luncheon to which 26 guests were

Wood Murder Trial

ACCUSED ALLEGATIONS AGAINST POLICE HELD ADMISSIBLE

Legal Revision Ordinance

An Ordinance to make provision for the preparation and publication of a revised edition of the law of the Colony was introduced for first reading in Legislative Council yesterday by the Acting Attorney-General (Mr. G. E. Strickland).

Explaining the objects of the Bill Mr. Strickland said it was to provide machinery for revision of the law of the Colony in accordance with approved practice. It is proposed that the Ordinances and subsidiary legislation will be grouped together by the subject matter, and not as heretofore chronologically, so as to facilitate the location of any particular ordinance or legislation.

Present lack of legal personnel would not enable much progress to be made in the near future in so far as revisions of substance are concerned, said Mr. Strickland, but it is hoped that a clerk will commence assembling together the original and amending legislation under a scheme already prepared. The schedules, particularly the first schedule, are not complete, but under subsection 2 of section 5 the Governor has power by proclamation to make any amendment to the schedule. Similar power with regard to subsidiary legislation is contained in section 2, sub-section 10.

The motion was seconded by the Colonial Secretary (Mr. D. M. Macleod) and carried unanimously.

Debtor-Creditor Ordinance

The Debtor-Creditor Ordinance will come up for first reading at the next meeting of Legislative Council on June 2. This announcement was made by the Governor in Legislative Council yesterday just before the adjournment.

Two new Bills were introduced by unofficial members of the first reading at Legislative Council yesterday.

At yesterday's resumed hearing of the Wood murder trial, Mo Yung-king, a prosecution witness, claimed that the third accused did not visit him on Feb. 11, while Kong Ming, another witness for the Crown, said that he thought he had seen accused in his garden on one occasion, visiting the first and second accused.

In the course of the morning's hearing, Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Chief Justice), ruled that certain statements made by the accused, which were alleged to have been made under duress, were admissible. Following this ruling, the statements were read out in Court.

The accused, Lau Ho-tai alias Lau Yun-hoi, 20, unemployed, Ho Cheuk-kui, 26, unemployed, and Li Chung-chun alias Li Chuk-ying, 32, gardener, are standing trial before a Special Jury.

The accused are charged with the murder of Lytton Davis Wood on Feb. 11. On Feb. 12, he went to Wan-chai, accompanied by his son and third accused. He portayed company with third accused at about 3.30 p.m. in Wan-chai.

Kong Ming, gardener of the King Yuen Garden, said that he had two employees, one man and one woman. He knew the first and second accused. The first accused had been working for him before. Both these accused lived in a hut in the garden used by watchmen. Kong Ming said he thought he had seen the third accused once before, but he was not sure. Third accused was visiting the other two accused at the time.

Li Tong, elder brother of third accused, said that on Feb. 11, he rang up third accused and asked him to come for the morning meal, which he did. Li said that he went out at about 11 a.m. as he intended visiting a friend at Union Long. He parted company with third accused at the Jordan Road Ferry at about noon. Third accused was alone when they parted company.

After evidence by other prosecution witnesses, hearing was adjourned until 10 a.m. today.

HAD NO LICENCE

Arrested by PC 1845 at Human Road, near Watering Road, at 7.30 p.m. on May 23, Lam Hong-keat, 27-year-old mechanic of 13 Observatory Road, ground floor, was fined \$100 by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for driving a private car 0800 without a valid driver's licence.

Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth prosecuted.

Personalia

Canton, May 26.—Over 100 prominent Canton residents attended a cocktail party this evening to bid goodbye to Mr. John L. Murray, British Information Officer in Canton and former London journalist and advertiser, who is leaving here for Hong Kong tomorrow en route to the United Kingdom after four years of service in China. Mr. Murray expects to leave Hong Kong for England at the end of the month, travelling by BOAC flying-boat. Mrs. Murray called for the United Kingdom recently.—Reuters.

General Nguyen Van Khanh, President of the Cuchin-China Provisional Government, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Saigon by Air France for further discussions with ex-Emperor of Annam, Bao Dai, in connection with the latter's return to the throne in Indo-China. General Khanh was accompanied by several aides and secretaries.

Among the passengers who arrived by Air France from Saigon yesterday were Dr. Le Van Hoach, Tran Van Don, and Tran Van Huu, all Viet-Nam representatives delegated to participate in political talks with Bao Dai.

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—J.C. Baynard, Capt., and Mrs. L.H. Campbell, Mrs. C. Shilling, R.H. Clever, Mr. and Mrs. E.J. Berthen, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. F. Flanagan, J.M. Voss, Mrs. M. Wangerin, J.E. Forte and J.H. Driskill.

Peninsula departures:—P.S. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. D.B. Monroe, M.J. Buckley, E.P. Hingston, H.H. Herli, P.F. Kops and H. Ziesing.

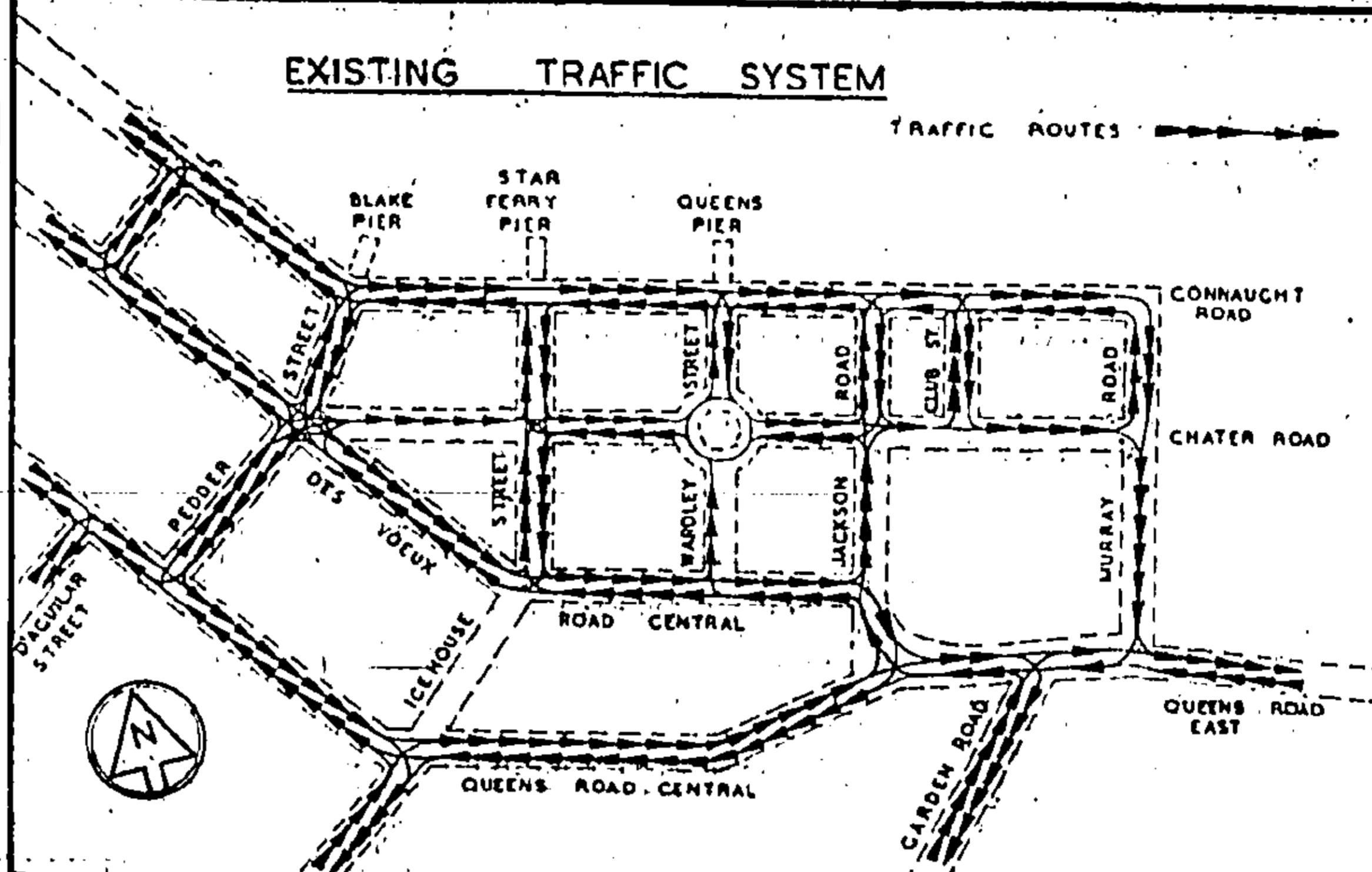
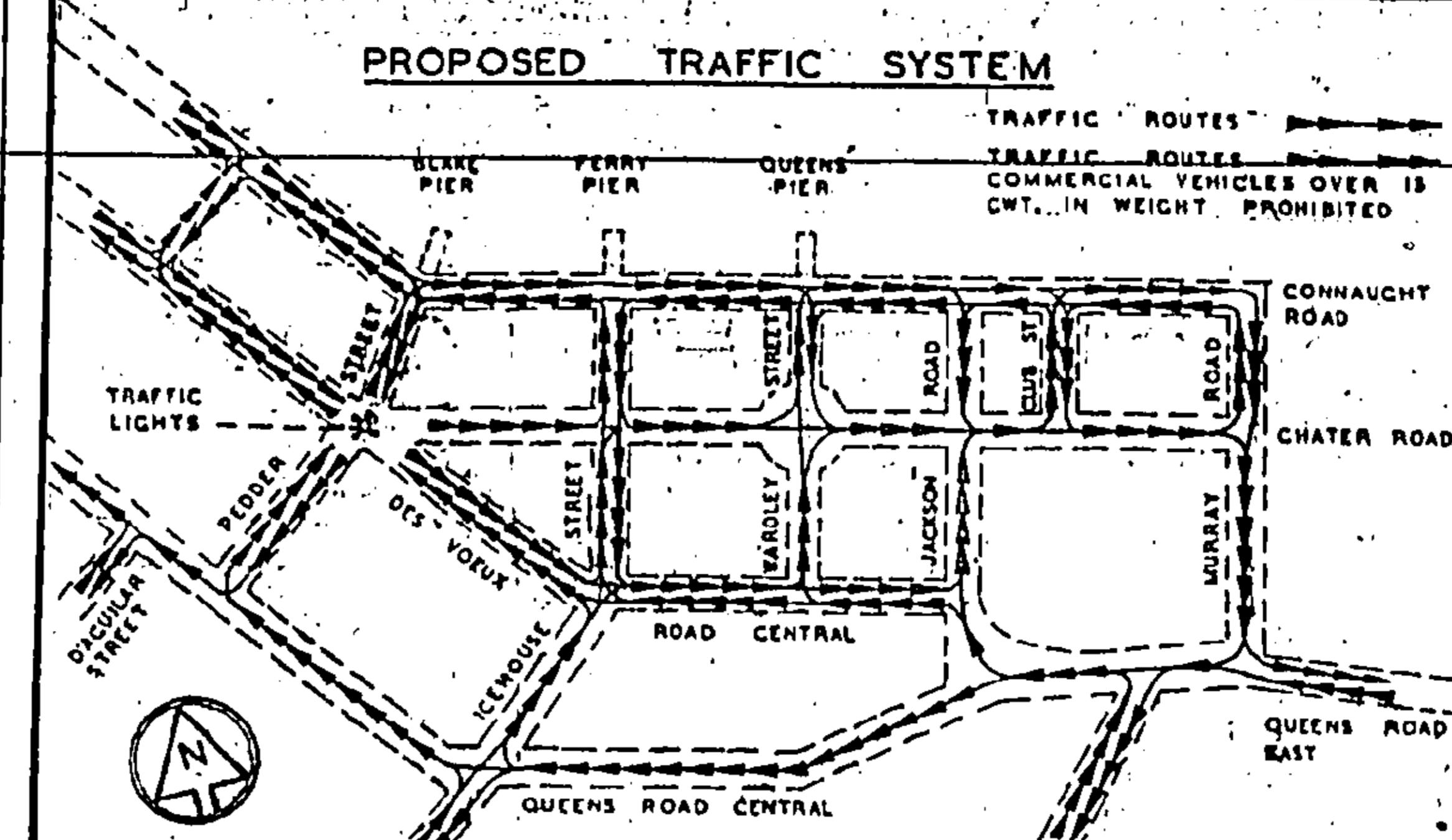
The following forthcoming weddings have been announced:—Mr. William Mackintosh Maher, Proof Reader, 286 Prince Edward Road, to Miss Deolinda Socorro Josepha Chaves, 455 Lockhart Road, 1st floor.

Mr. Armando Romualdo-Victor Ribeiro, Clerk, 504 Sheung Yuen Ling, Kowloon City, to Miss Natalie Agueda Tome, 26 Ashley Road.

A meeting to discuss the revival of the Hong Kong Art Club will be held in the Exhibition Room of St. Francis Hotel at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow. All interested are invited. A programme of future activities will also be discussed.

Indicates that there is some truth.

New Traffic System For Central District



The new traffic system for the Central District which has been under discussion for some months, is now expected to be introduced almost immediately. The differences between the existing requirements and the new scheme are graphically indicated in the sketches above. Some features of the proposed new system have already been introduced. One way traffic through Chater Road is one of the principal new features.

Letters From Readers

Bible Thumper

Sir.—I have followed, with interest, the case of the young unemployed Chinese who was as reported in yesterday's issue of your paper, fined \$20 or ten days in prison and ordered to be expelled from the Colony for five years. The sentence, particularly the order for expulsion was, I feel, definitely harsh.

I had fully expected local bible thumpers to turn up in full force to plead in mitigation for this young man, who is apparently the half-baked product of some missionary or other religious body. The lack of interest shown by local padres and religious bodies in this case was most disappointing. This lack of interest in the case of a poor, down-and-out individual, who was described by the prosecuting officer as over-religious, would appear to indicate that there is some truth.

SIMPLE SIMON

Repulse Bay Tents
Sir.—May I crave a few more inches of your valuable space for some little constructive suggestions?

The Urban Council is to be congratulated on their prompt announcement that no booking of bathing tents is permitted, even though it be for a matter of a few hours.

If it is one of the terms of the contract between them and the beach contractors, then it will certainly require explaining why the tent was let to us at 9.15 a.m. with the understanding and assurance that it would be available for our use any time later in the day.

I personally approve of any plan to benefit the public as a whole, and therefore, may I suggest the following:

(1) That the tent contractors under question be immediately reminded of the terms of their contract.

(2) Despite the fact that they now have a monopoly on the letting of these tents, they are still under obligation to show a somewhat more civil attitude towards users.

(3) That a scale of charges should be posted up in every tent including a notice to the effect that no booking of tents is allowed.

The public like to know how it stands, and will certainly follow any well-prescribed formula provided that they are in the know.

GEORGE A. WOODIER.

ARMY DRIVER IN FATAL ACCIDENT FACES CHARGE

Driver E. Northeast of the R.A.S.C. Victoria Barracks appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. Hin-Shing Lo in answer to a summons for driving at a speed dangerous to the public, having due regard to all circumstances in King's Road.

Defendant, who pleaded "Not guilty," was not legally represented.

Inspector W. Eggleston, prosecuting, said that defendant was driving an army three-ton Dodge truck in King's Road, going West. Opposite the Ritz Garden Ballroom he swerved violently, turned in an anti-clockwise direction and crashed into a tramway standard, overturning and catching fire.

The lorry was carrying 17 passengers in the back as well as the driver (defendant) and another man in the driver's cabin.

Only one person escaped with minor injuries. Two died as a result of their injuries and some who were seriously injured are still at Queen Mary Hospital. The driver himself had only just been discharged from hospital.

No Mechanical Fault

Technical evidence was given by Inspector G.N. Senior (Motor Vehicle Inspector) who said that when he went to the accident, which was almost immediately, the truck was still smouldering. It was raining very heavily and visibility was not normal. The tyres were smooth cut and there was no mechanical fault to be found with the steering or braking system.

Defendant, cross-examining witness, asked if it was possible with the tyres smooth and the heavy rain that it could cause the truck to go into a violent skid even if it was only travelling at 20 miles per hour. Inspector Senior said that it was possible.

Witness said that usually the speed could be estimated by the amount of damage caused but in this case the truck had hit a solid iron pole which would not give in any way, causing extensive damage to the lorry.

Dr. Gosano of Queen Mary Hospital said that the two men who had died, Lui Siu, 36, coolie, and Cheung Chung Kin, 37, coolie, had died of scalp wounds and a fractured spine, respectively.

Passengers' Evidence

Evidence was given by three of the passengers in the back and by the man in the front.

Wal Chuen, who was in front, said that at the time of the accident defendant was driving at about 40 miles an hour. He had told the driver (in English) when they were coming down the hill at Shaukiwan, "Don't go so fast."

Defendant said that he (witness) had not spoken to him during the entire trip. Witness said that it was only natural for him to deny having ignored him when he told him not to go so fast.

The other three passengers at the back all said that at the time of the accident they estimated the speed at about 40 miles an hour.

Drunk Fined

Ip Hak-kim (67) of 100 Prince Edward Road was fined \$50 (for three weeks' simple imprisonment) by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for being drunk and incapable in the early hours of the morning.

According to Sub-Inspector J. S. Howarth, defendant was found by bus conductor Lau Chau sprawled on a seat in a bus when it arrived at 12.45 a.m.

When asked to get up accused was neither able to talk nor to stand. He was accordingly brought into the Shamshula Police Station.

Defendant had been before the Court on several occasions for offences of a similar nature.

FOOD AND FUEL COSTS

The food and fuel costs for the week ending May 22 issued by the Labour Office were as follows:

Rice & Flour	7.2 catties	\$5.1500
Vegetables	1.0 "	7.6000
Salt, Cabbage	2 "	2.0000
Oil	1 "	1.5000
Ten	2 "	0.6000
Salt Fish	3 "	0.6000
Fish	4 "	0.6000
Pork	3 "	2.3000
Firewood	10.0 "	0.6000
Banana Curd	14 pieces	70.00

Total \$12.1100

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, R.A.F. Association, fortnightly luncheon, at Jacobean Room, H.K. Hotel, 1245 p.m.

Tea Reception for Cardinal Spellman, Hong Kong Hotel, 2.30 p.m.

King George V School Parents' Association Mahjong-Bridge Drive, European Y.M.C.A., 2.30 p.m.

Union Church Ladies' Guild meeting, Helena May Institute, 3.30 p.m.

Kowloon Residents' Association meeting, general discussion, St. Andrew's Church Hall, 6.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Men's Club luncheon, H.K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

Annual meeting Peak Trimway Co., Ltd., H.K. Hotel, 11 a.m.

Annual meeting of H.K. Telephone Co. Ltd., Exchange Bldg., 12 noon.

Cardinal Spellman celebrates Pontifical Low Mass at Catholic Cathedral, 8 a.m.

Comming Events TOMORROW

Annual meeting Indo-China Steamship Navigation Co., Ltd., Jardine's Board Room, 12 noon.

Meeting to discuss revival of Hong Kong Art Club, St. Francis Hotel, 1st Flr., 5.30 p.m.

Presentation of stage show "Knock" by French A.D.C. at China Fleet Club Theatre, 9 p.m.

Annual general meeting of the H.K. Chinese Medical Association, H.K. University Alumni Association, Queen's Building, 6 p.m. (Dinner at 7 p.m.)

SATURDAY

Launching of first post-war vessel by H.K. & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., at Hung Hom, 11.30 a.m.

St. George's Victoria Recreation Club, 9 p.m.

12.15 p.m. Miscellaneous

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REUBEN IMPORT & EXPORT CO., LTD.

12.15 p.m. Miscellaneous

UNSCRUPULOUS BOOSTS IN CONDENSED AND POWDERED MILK PRICES

"Cornering of the market when there is a definite shortage is what we will not stand for," said Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday when informed by Mr. J. H. G. Pitman, of the Price Control Office, that the recent shortage of tinned milk had led to unscrupulous dealers boosting the prices of evaporated, condensed, and powdered milk.

The Lai Hing Compradore Store of 171, Woosung Street was fined \$350 for overcharging 30 cents on a tin of condensed milk; the Kwong Kee Ho of 184, Woosung Street was mulcted in the sum of \$225 for an excess charge of \$1.50 on a tin of Glaxo milk food; and the Tid Loong shop of 88, Woosung Street was fined \$225 for charging \$1.60 instead of \$1.45 on a tin of Cowlac milk powder.

Appearing for the third time on a breach of price control summons, Lee Muil of Ki Heung Chuen of 381 Nathan Road was fined \$300 for overcharging five cents on a cake of Lever's soap. The Magistrate warned defendant that another appearance would result in a closure order being made.

When asked by STI Inspector Amy Cheung and Paul Young whether he was the manager of the Kwong Yick Hing shop, Chu Ming not only ignored them but

told his folks not to pay any attention to them "and nothing would happen." On his refusing to answer the second time, after a wait of 10 minutes, the STI Inspectors went out to Fuk Wing Street and enlisted the aid of a police constable.

Other Summons

When Chu appeared before Mr. Blair-Kerr on the summonses of overcharging 10 cents on a tin of Van Houten's cocoa, failure to fix a price tag, and obstructing a public servant in the execution of his duty, he was fined a total of \$725 and warned to supply any information asked for by a bona fide officer.

Other summonses:

Shing Shun Store of 442 Prince Edward Road, fined \$275; Willy Store of 33 Pilgrim Street (\$75); Kim May Co. (staircase of 88 Nathan Road) (\$150); Choi Kwan of 602 Shunhai Street (\$400); Mee Wah of 207 Nathan Road (\$65); Wing Kee of 6 Bulkeley Street (\$75); Kam Shing of 224 Cheungshawan Road (\$65); Wing Wai Medicine Co. of 36 Woosung Street (\$250); and Wai Shing, sidecar of 180 Apui Street (\$75).

Sequel To Gun Duel

The gun duel between a party of Police and an alleged band of robbers in the Western District on Feb. 4, had a sequel at the Criminal Session yesterday, when Pang Hung, 18, unemployed, was charged with the attempted murder of Detective C742 Chan Wing, attempting to shoot Chan Wing with intent to resist arrest and conspiracy to rob.

The trial is taking place before Mr. Justice T.J. Gould (Puline Judge) and a jury of four men and three women.

Mr. J. Reynolds Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. G.E. Wilton, is conducting the case for the prosecution.

Mr. A.J. Clifford, assisted by Mr. C.A.S. Russ, is appearing for the accused, who pleaded guilty to a charge of possession of arms and ammunition.

Cheung Ki-lung (27) was admitted to Kowloon Hospital shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday suffering from a suspected ruptured spleen sustained as the result of being struck by a bamboo pole during a fight at Sheung Shui. His alleged assailant has been detained by the Police.

Spitting Spreads TB

Where did the germs come from which started off the infection? It is not always possible to say. It is known, however, that

Arriving Today On Maiden Voyage



The Klaveness Line post-war ship replacement programme has now passed the three-quarter mark and the latest addition to the fleet is the m.v. "Francisville" which is scheduled to arrive in port today on her maiden voyage and moor at Buoy A-11.

The "Francisville" is at present outward bound from the Pacific Coast and on completion of discharge of cargo in the Straits leads back to the Pacific Coast via Java, the Philippines and Hong Kong. She will be loading here on July 8, and then proceed direct to Los Angeles, completing the Trans-Pacific journey in 18 days.

A sister ship of the m.v. "Casville," the "Francisville" was built in Norway and operated at

10 knots. In addition to ample refrigerated space for frozen and chilled cargoes, all tween decks are fitted with forced ventilation which enables fruit or other perishable cargoes to be carried in perfect condition. She is also fitted with deepkeeps of various sizes specially constructed for the carriage of cargo oils and latex.

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Trustee On Fraud Charge

The prosecution completed its case against Chan Yuen-chu, manager of Wing Wo-cheong Firms, charged with the fraudulent conversion of \$30,000 to his own use while being a trustee for Chan Tsok-king, a widow.

Evidence was given yesterday by Inspector Lau who stated that he interviewed accused after his arrest and that he took no statement from accused as the latter when asked had refused to make one.

Chan Yuen-shu, the accused, gave a detailed description of his visits to the bank at the request of complainant when he was requested to stand guarantor for her as she had lost the chop during the occupation. He had compiled with all the requirements of the bank.

He did not draw any money from the bank with the chop. All the allegations made against him were untrue.

The case was adjourned till May 31.

PRISONER'S DEATH

Death through pulmonary tuberculosis was the verdict returned by the jury at the inquest at Central yesterday on Ts. Yau, a prisoner at Stanley, who died on Feb. 24, a week after his admission.

Evidence was given that deceased's general condition when admitted was bad and rapidly deteriorated after his admission to hospital.

Bright Prospects Of Macao Electric

An improved turnover, as compared with 1946, was reported at the 33rd annual general meeting of The Macao Electric Lighting Co., Ltd., yesterday.

Mr. F. J. Gellion, who presided, said:
"The business during the year under review increased over 1946, and there are good prospects for a large industrial power load being obtained in the future, to cope with which additional plant will be arranged for."

"The generating plant is in excellent shape and some further low tension overhead mains have been put underground during the year and the work will continue until completed."

"The question of war period losses is still under way. Your Directors are doing everything possible to have this matter settled with the Macao Authorities. Our share register was destroyed in Hong Kong during the war, but, fortunately, a duplicate was kept in Macao, and to check this, we have requested the shareholders either to notify the Secretaries or the Company the numbers of shares they are holding, also the numbers of the certificates. To enable a final checking of the share register, it has been decided that, until we have heard from shareholders, the mailing of their dividend cheques will be withheld."

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Fung Yat-cheung, 32, travelling trader, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour, with a recommendation to banishment, by Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

Defendant had been convicted of stealing \$2,200 from a jackal hanging on the back of a chair at the San Kwong Restaurant. Defendant's wife, carrying a baby, knelt before the Magistrate, pleading for mercy for her husband. She was removed from Court.



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In addition, all those whose mother tongue is not Cantonese will be required to obtain the first two certificates in Cantonese before proceeding beyond the third step in the scale (Basic salary \$450), to which point, if necessary, confirmation to the permanent establishment may be deferred.

The initial basic salary scale of Grade II is \$400-\$800 per month and promotion to Grade I and to Senior Executive posts will be strictly by merit.

Candidates should apply to the Chief Clerk, Colonial Secretariat on or before 4th June, 1948, for forms of application to enter the examination.

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Applications are invited by the Waterworks Office for appointment as Temporary Assistant Land Surveyors.

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NOTICE

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at The Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 27th May 1948, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with A Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st March, 1948, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register and Transfer Books of The Company will be closed from the 15th May to the 27th May 1948 both days inclusive during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON LTD.
General Managers.
HONG KONG 8th May 1948.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY LIMITED.

Application has been made to this Company to issue to Dr. RENATO EMILIO ALVARES of 5 Julian Avenue, 1st Floor, Homuntin, Kowloon, duplicate Certificates for 3 Fully Paid-up and 10 \$5.-Paid-up Shares in this Company—Certificate numbers and Distinctive numbers UNKNOWN—upon a declaration that the original Certificates have been lost or mislaid. And Notice is hereby given that, if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof, the above Certificates be not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of NO EFFECT.

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By Order of the General Committee.

P. W. A. Wood,
Hon. Secretary.

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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON LTD.
General Managers.
HONG KONG 8th May 1948.

NOTICE

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY.

It is hereby notified that sealed Tenders, in duplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for lowering of couplets," will be received at Office of the Chairman, Tender Board, Colonial Secretariat, until noon on Friday, the 11th June, 1948.

Tenders must attach to each tender a receipt showing that they have deposited with the Senior Accountant of the Kowloon-Canton Railway the sum of \$500 as a pledge of the bona fides of their tenders, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown if the successful tenderer fails or refuses to carry out his tender. The deposit will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 14th May to the 27th May, 1948, both days inclusive.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1948.

By order of the Board.

S. GROVE
Secretary.

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G. H. THOMAS,
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27th May, 1948.

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HONG KONG GOVERNMENT.

MEDICAL DEPT.

It is notified for general information that the Port Health Office will be situated in the Marine Department Building, Connaught Road Central, from 29th May, 1948.

Tickets for the month of June may be obtained, as follows:

New tickets for passengers not holding a ticket for the present month can be obtained only at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on and after 1st May.

Existing tickets can be renewed at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on the 26th and 27th May and from 2nd June.

Tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry on 28th, 29th, 30th May and 1st June.

We, the Taikoo Dockyard & Engineering Company of Hong Kong Limited of Quarry Bay, Hong Kong, hereby give notice that in consequence of being desirous of co-ordinating nomenclature, we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Tug T.I.D. 146 of Hong Kong Registry, Official Number 180432, Gross Tonnage 54.43 tons, Register Tonnage Nil tons, heretofore owned by us, for permission to change her name to "TAIKOO FU", and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING COMPANY OF HONG KONG LIMITED.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

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Manager.

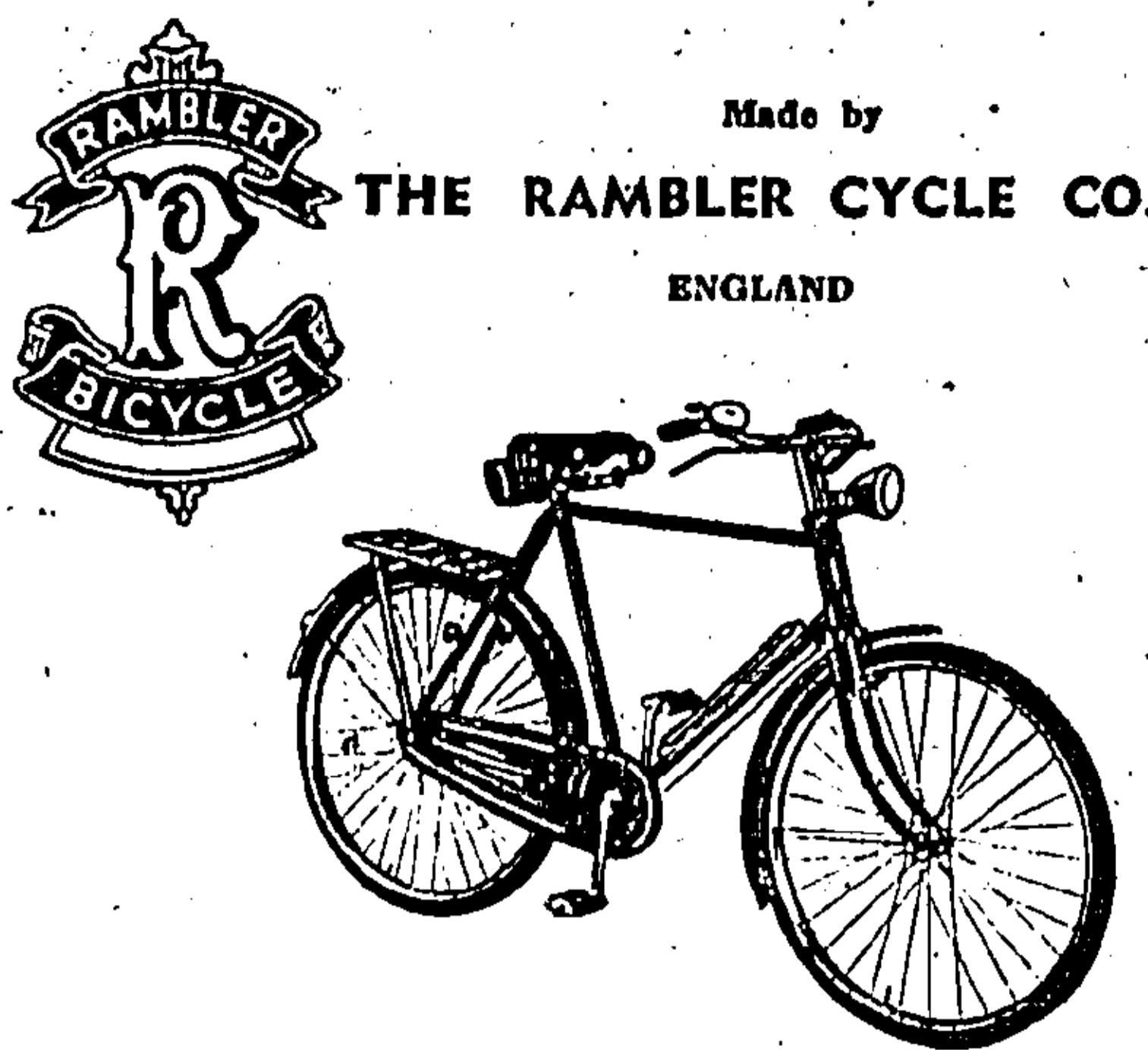
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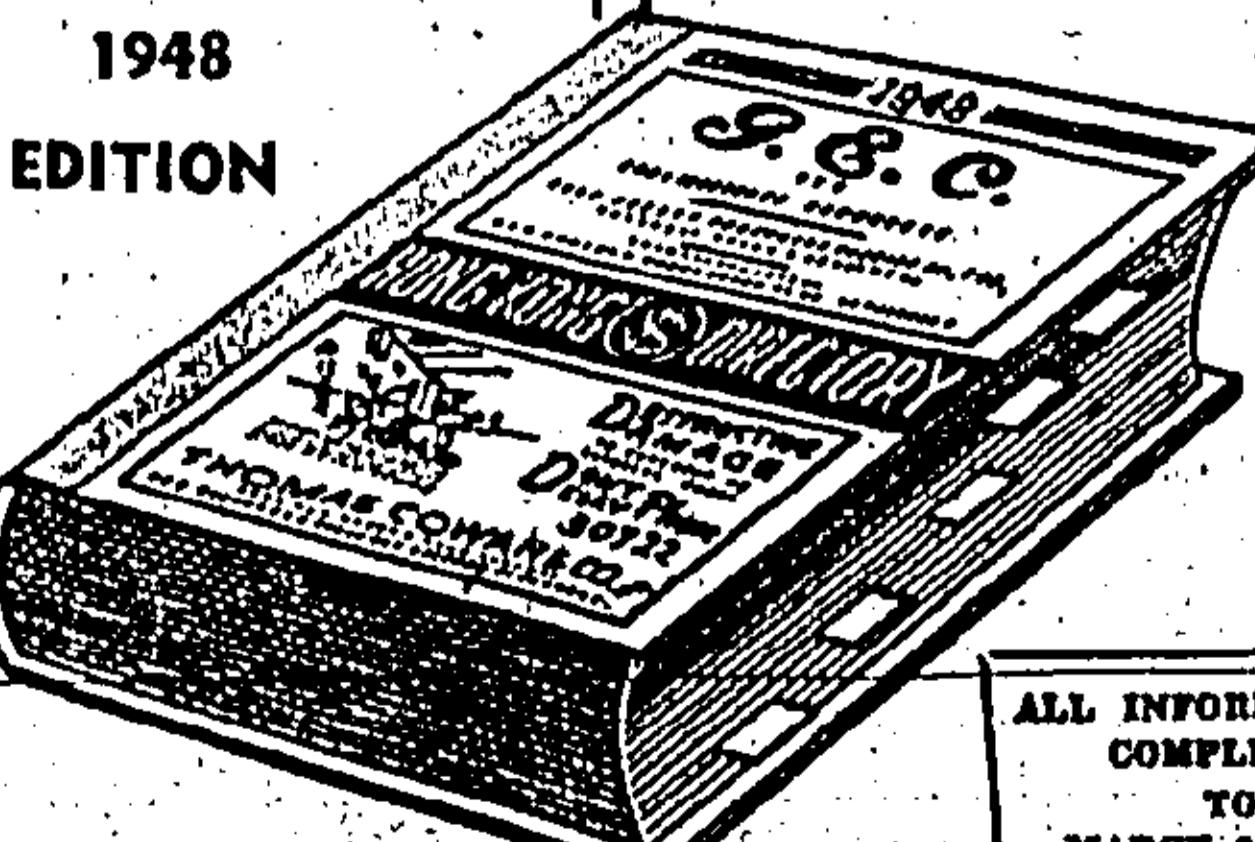


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Men To Whom Lenin Passed The Torch

Britons Included In "Who's Who"

Washington, May 25.

Prominent Indian, Ceylonese and Burmese Communists are included in a "Who's Who" of the "Upper Five Hundred" of Communism in the Eastern hemisphere, published by the House of Representatives' Foreign Affairs Committee tonight.

The 130-page book, beginning with what it believes to be the characteristics of Communism, does not touch, however, on Soviet Communist leaders.

But 56 other countries have been covered in the survey, ranging from Iceland to Indonesia and from Japan to Yugoslavia.

In the biographical details, India, Burma and Ceylon are represented by 11 five and two names, respectively. Of these, Burma's Thelin Pe, described as one of the founders of the Communist Party, is given most attention with 17 lines of space.

Close behind him is India's Shifrat Amit Dange, President of the Indian Trade Union Congress, who got 15 lines. First place from the point of view of individual listings goes to the Bulgarian Secretary General of the Central Committee of the Workers Party, Georgi Dimitrov, who gets 40 lines, but there are many Communists better known who receive less space.

Professionals.
But the Committee's conclusions are centred on Communist leaders in the mass, rather than on the individual.

The Five Hundred, says the report are the "professional revolutionaries" whom Lenin called into being from his own image and to whom he passed the torch of revolution. Their average age is about 46. In origin, many of them are not proletarians, and at least one out of five had university training. There is a substantial sprinkling of professionals among them, including teachers, doctors, engineers, lawyers and economists.

"About one in every four has been active as a labour organiser; about one in three is a Communist journalist; at least one in four has had experience in resistance or partisan guerrilla struggles against the Nazis or other forces. A still larger fraction have had considerable military experience, regular or irregular.

"Nearly half have been imprisoned, and many have been imprisoned more than once.

Not Failures

"Prison and exile have been their common fate, but that their careers have not been failures thus far is marked by the fact that 20 per cent of them today hold Cabinet posts in various Governments, while 40 per cent are members of their national legislative bodies.

"For slightly more than one-third of the names listed we know the year in which they joined the Communist Party. It is a striking fact that slightly more than one half of these have been avowed Communists since 1922 or earlier, while fully three-fourths have been members at least since 1927, the year of Trotsky's exile.

"Two implications arise; first, that the average Communist leader is both rather young in years and long in party experience. Second, that the Communists

ist movement is dominated by an old guard."

The authors emphasised that the list does not attempt to name other than "the most important agents of the World Communist organisation." — Reuter.

Britons Named

Residents of British Dominions were named by the committee.

Among them were:

Australia; Richard Dixon, Alan Flinger, John C. Henry, J. B. Mills, L. L. Sharkey, Ernest Thornton and I. William.

New Zealand; Alexander Drean, Leslie Edwards, Sidney Scott and Victor Wilcox.

Twenty-five Britons were named in the list.

The committee listed the British "professional revolutionaries to whom Lenin passed the torch of world revolution" as: George Allison, R. A. Page Arnott, Edward Bramley, Elinor Burns, Emile Burns, J. R. Campbell, Claude Cockburn, Rajani Palme Dutt, William Gallagher M. P., C. T. Giles, John Collan, Professor J. B. Haldane, Hannington, Sam Henderson, Arthur Horner, John Horner, Lou Kenyon, Peter Kerrigan, A. F. Papworth, Philip Piratin, M. P., Harry Pollitt, William Charles Rust, Joe Scott, D. F. Springhall, Tamara Rust.

Palme Dutt is a Swedish-Indian who has lived mostly in England, is editor of the Labour Monthly and a leading Communist Party theoretician and vice-chairman of the Communist Party.

Northern Ireland; Andy Barr, William McCulloch, Sean Murray.

South Africa; William Andrews, Lionel Bernstein, Brian Buttlin, Yusuf Dadoo, Michael Harmel, Isaac Herwitz, Moses Monani Kotane, Harry Idoo, Daniel Deplissie, G. P. Mrs. Betty Sachs (alias Betty Radford) D. J. Simons, Harry Snitcher, Hilda Lillian Waits, Mrs. Lionel Bernstein.—Associated Press.

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Workers Make Trade Union History

Detroit, May 25.

Some 250,000 employees of the General Motors Corporation, who won a pay increase here today, made trade union history by agreeing to a wage cut if living costs decline.

The workers, who had threatened to strike, accepted an 11 cents an hour increase, but the union agreed that on Sept. 1 the company may revise the rate either downward or upward, depending on the Government's cost of living index.

If the index is down, the workers will take a 1% cents an hour cut, but if living costs continue upward, there is no upper limit.—Reuter.

Speculators In U.S. Markets

Washington, May 26.

The House Investigating Committee recommended today that the names of foreign speculators in the United States commodity markets should be published and a tax imposed on their capital gains.

The special committee appointed to investigate commodity transactions reported that 183 non-resident aliens and 116 foreign corporations

or partnerships claiming citizenship and resident status in 29 foreign countries were doing the volume of futures, transacting an estimated \$418,169,584 without taxes paid on the profits realised in the United States.

The committee said also that transactions by 341 resident and non-resident aliens living in the United States and 13 corporations in 46 different countries amounted to \$227,331,732 to bring the overall alien commodity total to \$645,501,296.

The table for non-resident aliens living in China showed 14 individuals and seven corporations trading in cotton, wheat, corn, oats, lard, cotton seed oil and eggs valued for \$30,039,400.

The table for aliens living in the Philippines, the report showed two individuals and two corporations trading in cotton, wheat, corn, oats, lard, cotton seed oil and eggs valued for \$43,819,330.

For non-resident aliens living in the Philippines, the report showed two individuals and two corporations dealing in cotton, wheat, corn and oats valued at \$23,261,050, and aliens living in the United States but claiming Philippine citizenship included two individuals dealing in cotton valued at \$120,600.

For aliens living in the United States but claiming Japanese citizenship showed 10 individuals dealing in cotton, wheat, corn, oats and rye valued at \$2,520,910. On aliens living in the United States but claiming Indian citizenship, the report showed one individual and one corporation dealing in commodities valued at \$973,000.—United Press.

Warning To Rice Merchants

Nanking, May 26.

The arrest of rice merchants will be effected today if they continue to sell the cereal at more than CN\$6,000,000 per picul, Major K. C. Wu was quoted today in Chinese press reports as having threatened.

Wholesale rice prices yesterday in some part of the city reached \$7,000,000 while retail quotations were reported as high as \$7,500,000.

The reason for the jump given by rice merchants was that the price at producing centres had reached the mark of \$8,000,000. The City Government authorities will from today dump 3,000 piculs of rice daily on to the market for the next six days in an effort to stabilise the situation.—Reuter.

The affidavits presented on Weizsaecker's behalf included one from Mr. Richard Butler, Under-Secretary of State in the British Foreign Office from 1938 to 1941, who had personal contact with Weizsaecker and was not acquainted with him.

He added "he was frequently reported to me by my advisers at the Foreign Office and by the British Ambassador in Berlin as being a convinced opponent of Nazi ideals and policies and as using his official position in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Berlin to hinder, so far as lay in his power, the policy pursued by Ribbentrop."

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Extracts from the secret diaries of Dr. Karl Burkhardt, League of Nations Commissioner for Danzig, quoted the Italian Ambassador in Berlin as saying that Weizsaecker was "a German patriot and in his way an international European." — Reuter.

They said four members, including the Soviet representative, had not received instructions from their Governments on the question. However, the representatives privately had said that they believed approval certain, although they had to await formal instructions.

Gen. McCoy presented the application to Commission members sitting as individual emissaries of their respective Governments in a special session, and not as the Commission itself, since the FEC ruled that it could not approve membership but that this must be done by "consultation of participating Governments."

When the tribunal adjourned in mid-May, it was expected that the verdict would be available by the end of May or early in June.

Meanwhile, all except five of the "American" defence counsels have been advised to return to the United States by the beginning of June.

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US TO IGNORE BLOCKADE

Washington, May 25.
The United States announced today that it will ignore Egyptian and Syrian naval blockades of Palestine.

The State Department said the US cannot recognise the action of the two Arab states as valid, and has so informed them. They have not replied.

Egypt told the US Ambassador on May 17 of the blockade, and Syria gave notice on May 11 of a similar action, the State Department announcement said.

The State Department said the blockade protest had nothing to do with the question of whether the arms embargo should be lifted.

The Department also reported that the Arab state of Lebanon, whose authorities seized 41 American Jewish citizens on board the US steamship *Marine Carp* at Beirut last Wednesday, has offered them their freedom if they will return to this country, and not go to Palestine.

The United States had demanded their unconditional release. Lebanon has refused. The American Minister is talking over the Lebanese offer with the seized group, to get their ideas about it.—Associated Press.

He also told before the American President an urgent appeal for the immediate lifting of America's present embargo on arms shipments to Israel.

Recounting his conversation with Truman on the problem of the arms embargo, Dr. Weizmann said "it is essential to provide for our safety—it should be lifted as soon as possible."

The third major subject discussed by the two Presidents was the formal recognition of Israel and the exchange of diplomatic missions.

"That will of course come," Dr. Weizmann said.

Smack At Britain

Washington, May 25.
The Lebanese Government has expressed its willingness to release the 41 American citizens removed from the United States ship *Marine Carp* in Beirut last week, if they are directly repatriated, the State Department said today.

The American Minister in the Lebanon informed the State Department that the Lebanese Government had stressed it would not release the internees to proceed to Palestine and pointed out that "constant commando raids are being made into the Lebanon by Jewish forces."

The State Department said the internees were being consulted, that the Lebanese note was being studied and a reply was being drafted.—Reuter.

MANILA TRIALS

Manila, May 26.
The People's Court, which was created for the trials of treason and collaboration cases, is tentatively set for abolition on June 15 when President Quirino is expected to sign a bill abolishing the Tribunal on that date.

Abolition comes in wake of the amnesty for political collaborators issued by the late President Roxas.—United Press.

Britain Can't Interfere

London, May 25.
The British Government today declined to intervene in a case arising out of Australia's racial laws, which prevent coloured people visiting the Commonwealth to stay there permanently.

When the House of Commons re-assembled today, the Commonwealth Relations Secretary was asked if he would protest to the Australian Government against the treatment of Joseph Martin, a British subject who had been ordered to leave Australia, beforehand.

He is staying in Cairo for a few days to get in touch with Arab groups and relief organisations.

Mr. Evans disclosed that a "relief project" will shortly come into force for Jerusalem under the auspices of the International Red Cross, the Quakers and the YMCA for both Jews and Arabs.—Reuter.

He was also asked if he would give assistance to pay for Mr. Martin's passage to Britain.

Mr. Patrick Walker, Under-Secretary for Commonwealth Relations, said that the British Government could not make representation to the Australian Government in a case of this kind.

Australia's immigration policy and its administration were matters solely for Australia, and the United Kingdom was not in a position to intervene, he said.—Reuter.

Allegations By U.S. Senator

Washington, May 25.
The Senate Appropriations Committee today demanded a report on whether Britain is using American recovery dollars to aid Arabs in their war against Jews in Palestine.

The Economic Co-operation such aid is related to the E.C.A. programme financed by the United States.

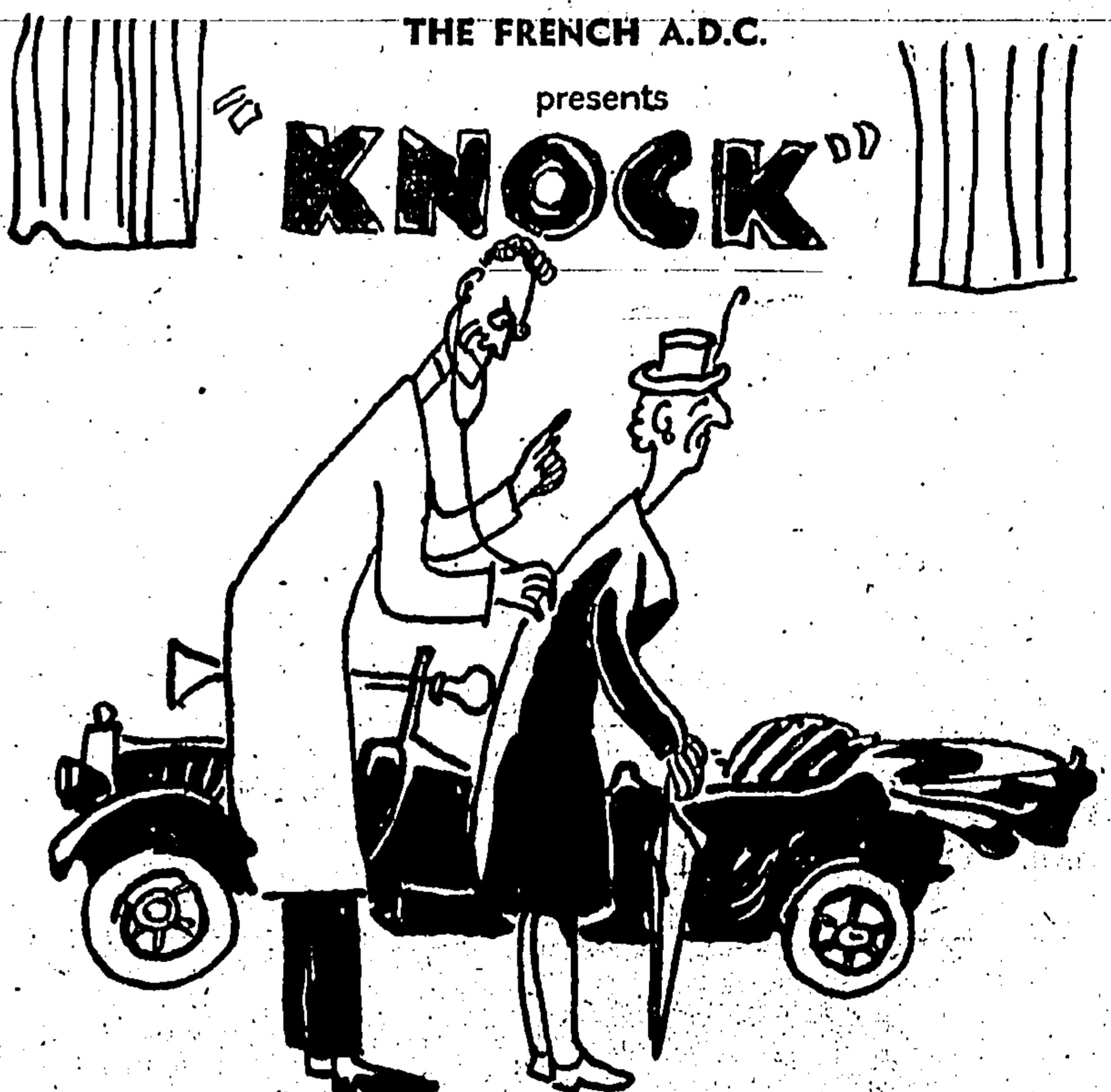
Hoffman indicated that the E.C.A. will adopt a tough policy toward Argentina on prices of food and goods it wants to sell under the plan.

He said that no arrangements will be made for paying for supplies from Argentina until price agreements are reached with the Argentine Government.—Associated Press.

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Quaker Working For Peace

Cairo, May 25.
Mr. Harold Evans, Municipal Commissioner for Jerusalem appointed by the United Nations, said that though his mission was concerned only with the City of Jerusalem, "we shall work in close collaboration with Count Bernadotte, the Palestine mediator, and the truce commission, who have to do with All-Palestine."

Mr. Evans told Reuter: "I was accepted for this difficult job by both Arabs and Jews because of their faith in the Quakers, of which I am one. In working for peace on non-political lines and on the basis of non-violence, we felt we could not refuse to render such service as we could."

Mr. Evans added that he was not going to Palestine unless some sort of truce was accepted beforehand.

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Mr. Paul Hoffman, Economic Cooperation Administrator, told the Senate Appropriations Committee today that the funds allocated for European Aid would be divided approximately equally in the purchase of relief goods and the supplying of commodities for use directly in economic recovery.—Reuter.

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China's Holy Land Attitude

Nanking, May 28.
The Chinese Government officially expressed its desire for the enforcement of a cease-fire in Palestine as adopted by the United Nations Security Council last Saturday.

The Chinese attitude on the Holy Land situation was conveyed to the United Nations by Foreign Minister Dr. Wang Shih-chieh in a message sent to Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations today.

In his message, Dr. Wang said the Chinese Government desires that the terms of the resolution be fully observed.—Reuter-AFP.

NOT TRUE

Washington, May 25.
A high State Department source said today "that there is 'not a iota of truth' in reports that the United States Ambassador to Egypt, Frank Tuck, resigned because President Truman recognized Israel.

The source said that Tuck informed the State Department two or three months ago that he intended to resign shortly to accept a lucrative position in private industry.—United Press.

Unions Demanding Nationalisation

Washington, May 25.
The Presidents of 21 railway labour unions today demanded that the Government nationalize United States railways on either a temporary or a permanent basis.

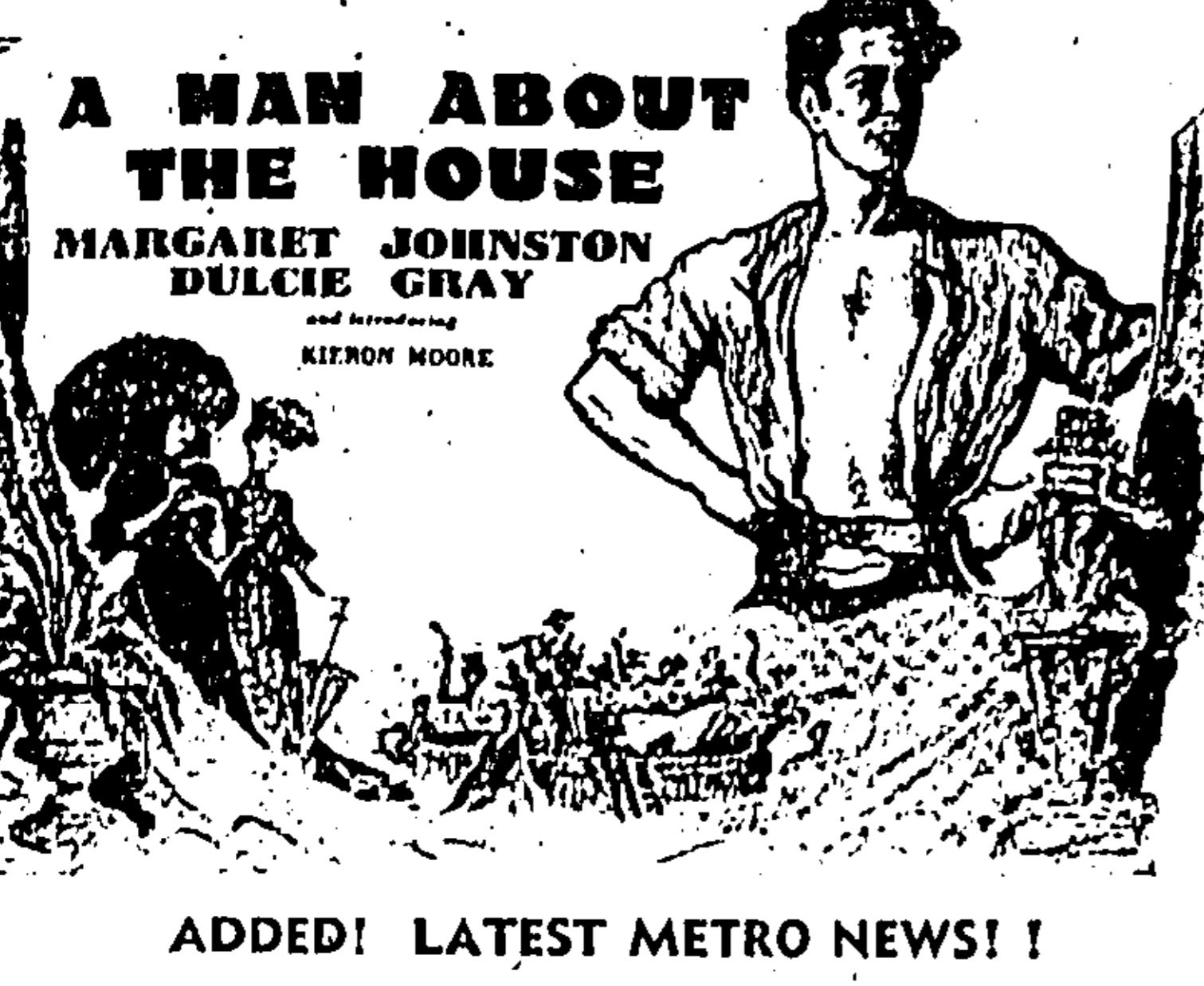
The Unions' resolution was adopted at a secret meeting and Union chiefs explained their position at a press conference.

They said the Government had withdrawn itself on the side of the employers and had assumed the role of a strike-breaking agency during the recent walkout threat which had resulted in President Truman's seizure of the railways and turning operation over to the Army.—United Press.

Union leaders called on the Government to take "full and complete control" of railways and go into direct negotiation with engineers, firemen and switchmen on new contract terms.

W. W. Fraser, chairman of the labour executive group, said the Unions did not "particularly" favour nationalization of railways, but "we want to find some answers to some very definite questions and this looks like one answer."—United Press.

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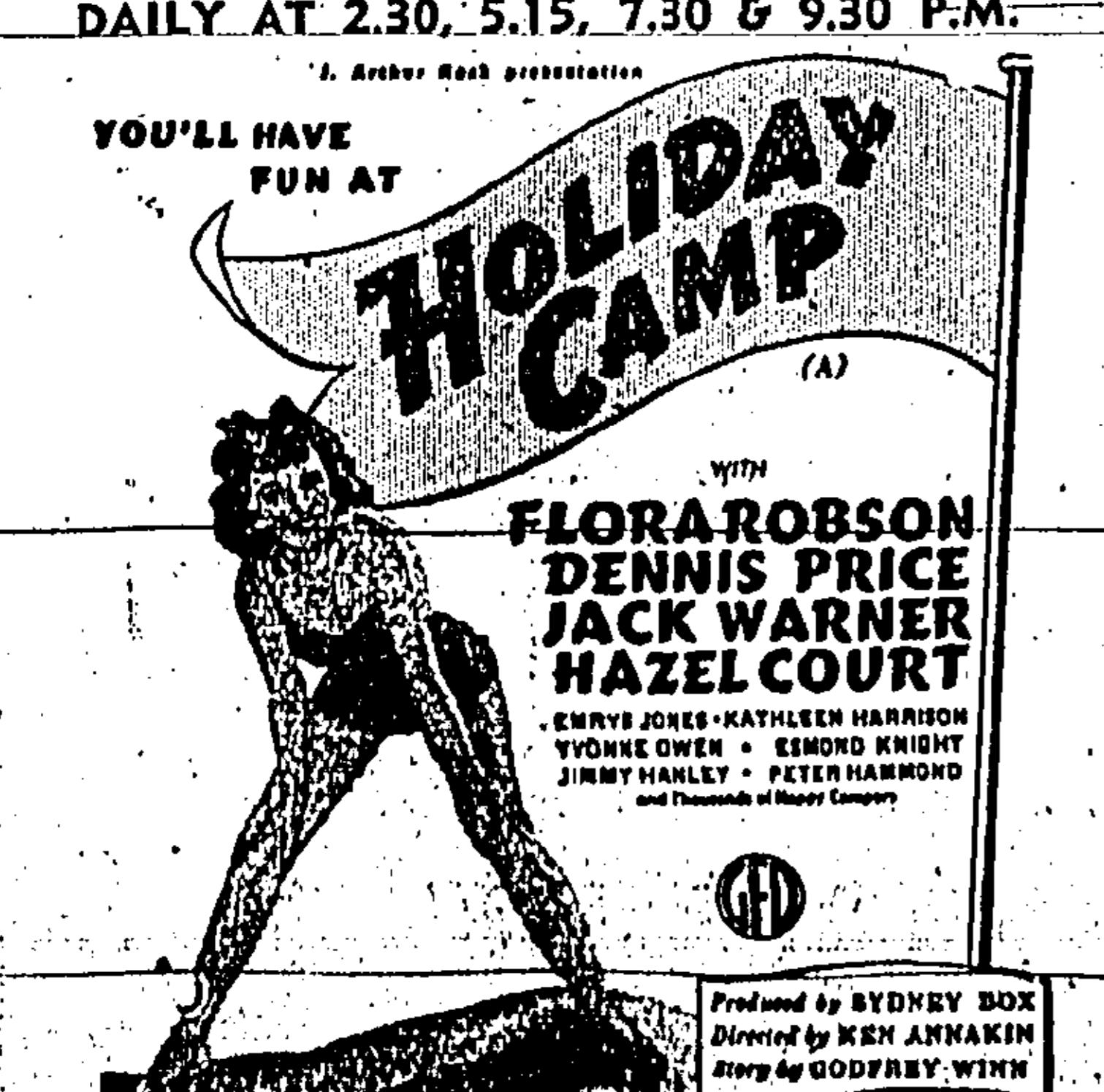
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London, May 25.
Queen Mary will be a buoyant 81 on Wednesday, the marvel of her family and people alike.

One of the most gadabout members of the Royal clan, despite her age, she has a way of surprising even her intimates by her unfailing energy and modern slant on things.

At a time of life when slumbered repose would seem perfectly natural, she scorns lazy habits and inactive ideas, holding her own with such juniors as fun-loving Princess Margaret and the elegant sophisticated Duchess of Kent. She is always ready to shop, see a show, drive through London's parks and gardens or pursue probably one of her many hobbies. Her ever-busy schedule dismisses far younger women.

Recently she received members of the cast of "Oklahoma" at Drury Lane Theatre. One of the players, over frank in his admiration, exclaimed, "But you don't look your age." The Dowager Queen laughed heartily.

Regal, she is often described as the last of the line of old Europe's great Queens, but make no mistake about her. That stately bearing, that imperious look, that superb dignity, mask traits that are anything but sober-minded. Her love of nonsense, fire, a neatly turned pun, are the talk of her circle.

"Quiet" Day

The Queen, say her associates, will celebrate her birthday quietly. But the word is relative.

Besides the customary Royal Family luncheon given in her honour by the King and Queen in Buckingham Palace, there will be the greeting of the crowds, inevitable appearances on the Palace balcony. Thousands of

telegrams and letters which she insists upon reading and answering herself, many phone calls that she'll take personally.

Those around her say that her health is fine, better than a year ago. At 80 she walked youths of 60 off their feet. Her getting up time is seldom later than 8 a.m. Afternoon naps are rare and bedtime is about 10 p.m.

She is not a fussy eater, but sips into a pretty solid meal, takes her sherry regularly, smokes a cigarette after dinner. It once shocked some people that she smoked and there was a protest from a temperance organization. Nobody seems to mind now. Typical English food is to her liking.

"A great old girl," says the Briton in the street and he couldn't mean it less respectfully.—Associated Press.

Other institutes planned include the British Commonwealth, Latin-America, France and Germany.—United Press.

Most Disappointed Men In London

London, May 25.
The most disappointed men in London today were officers of the Queen's Westminsters, crack British regiment.

They had just received a cable from the Seventh New York Regiment, cancelling by "high authority" the latter's June visit to Britain.

"Just one brief cable," said the Adjutant of the Territorial regiment, an offshoot of the 80th Rifles.

"We have had to cancel all our plans which we had been making since last October. The Colonel of the Regiment, Harry Dinsdale, three officers and five enlisted men were invited. We are hoping for a fuller explanation from the Regiment."

The Anglo-American military reunion, scheduled for June 8-14,

was to have consisted of a shooting match at Bisley and a

Asian Institute In NY

New York, May 25.
A \$120,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation to Columbia University for the establishment of an East Asian Institute was announced today by Acting President Dr. Frank D. Fackenthal.

The is the second in a planned group of six the first of which was the Russian Institute which also began with Rockfeller Foundation aid.

The new institute will open in September, 1949, concentrating at first on China and Japan with the general objective of enabling the university to expand studies of the Orient.

Dr. Fackenthal said the purpose of the institutes will be "to develop a highly trained corps of American teachers and administrators with special knowledge and understanding of the political, economic and social problems of the people who shape the course of world events."

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Big Quake Recorded

Weston, Mass., May 25.
A very strong earthquake was recorded at 0330 GMT today at the Boston Seismograph Station.

The disturbance lasted four hours and probably occurred 6,900 miles away, possibly in Northern India.

Two earth tremors were recorded on the Seismograph at Fordham University, New York, at 0629 and 0838 GMT. The distance was established at 9,600 miles—somewhere in the south Pacific.—Reuter.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 443 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m., and from 8.00 to 11.15 p.m. and also on 9.82 megacycles in the 21 meter band from 12.30 to 1.30, 1.30 to 2.00 p.m. and 9.30 to 11.15 p.m.

12.30 p.m.—"Daily Programme Summary, 12.32 p.m.—"March of the Movies" (ORBS).

1.02 p.m.—"The Hill Billes.

1.13 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.20 p.m.—Songs that have sold a million.

1.35 p.m.—"The Rake's Progress". British Ballet Orchestra.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.

6.01 p.m.—Children's Story "Peter Duck" by Arthur Ransome. Episode 24: "Spanish Gullion" Read by Captain Flint (Studio).

6.30 p.m.—Concert Cavalcade (Rita Hayworth—(ORBS)).

7.00 p.m.—"ITMA" with Tommy Handley (BBC). (ITCTB).

7.30 p.m.—La Demi-Lune Francaise (Studio).

8.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).

8.15 p.m.—Health - Weeks' Tuberculosis.

8.30 p.m.—"I Bring You Music" Classical Request Programme Presented by Marion Glover (Studio).

9.30 p.m.—"China and Christianity"—A Talk by the Right Reverend Monsignor Fulton Sheen (Studio).

10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).

10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.

10.16 p.m.—Song by Stuart Robertson (Studio).

10.30 p.m.—Dance to Lou Prezzer and His Orchestra.

11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).

11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

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PI Export Control

Manila, May 26.
Strong opposition to the export control powers exercised by the President of the Philippines is expected to develop in the coming special session of Congress if the extensions bill is taken up. The measure was among those not acted upon in the last regular session.

Opponents claim there is no more need for control of exports of Philippine products because normalcy has been restored and the measure would restrain trade development.

The special session early next month is likely to consider the import control bill among others.—United Press.

TWINS DIE FROM HICCoughs

London, May 25.
Mary Forbes, 18-year-old twin, died yesterday from the same violent hiccoughs that killed her sister Frances six weeks ago.

Mary became ill with hiccoughs eight days after her twin sister Frances died from an attack of hiccoughs in a hospital 50 miles away from her. Mary was rushed to St. Guy's Hospital, but died.

Doctors and the police pathologist do not know the cause of death of either twin.—United Press.

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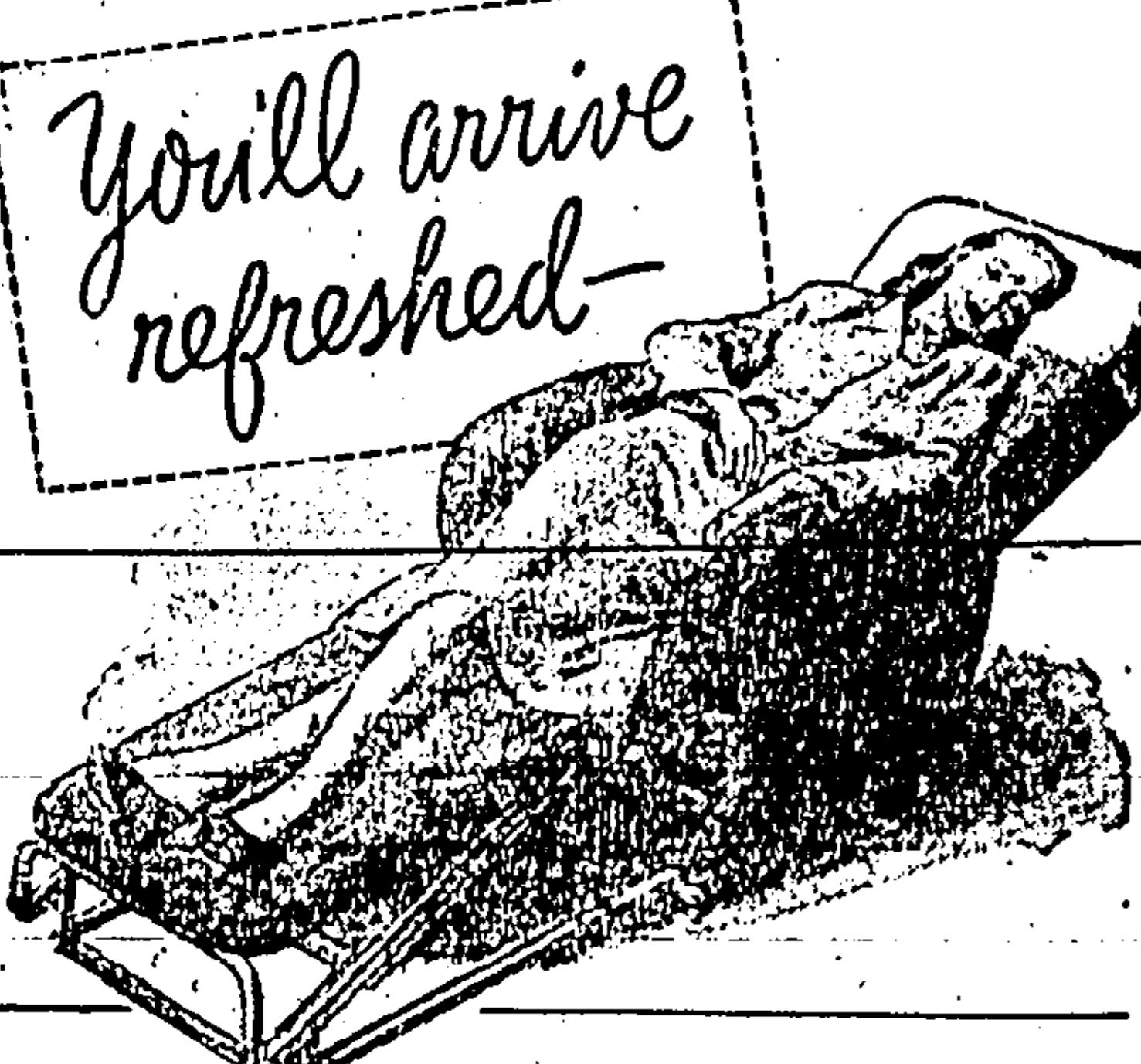
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SETTLING UP!

The decision at last formally announced outlining the extent of the commitment which Government is prepared to acknowledge in respect of Government servants, civil defence workers, and Volunteer personnel who served in December, 1941, and were not interned, varies little from the 'inspired' predictions. Government servants, as usual, come best out of it, provided they stay around in Hong Kong and do nothing, that is, nothing to arouse suspicions of disloyalty. For those who went to Macao or to Free China, so many strings are attached to the award that in the majority of cases, in all probability, there can be little left of 22 months' pay after authorised deductions have been provided for.

The A.R.P. boys, and civil defence workers generally, qualify at the most for three months' pay and some of them must look for no more than one month's bonus. When this is compared with the fantastic sums paid to those who worked in a somewhat similar capacity for perhaps only a few days but were in fact interned, no accusation can be laid against the Government of an excess of generosity. On the other hand, it is an improvement upon the benefits conferred, whether they were interned or not, upon those who, very much part of the Civil Defence organisation, were required to stick to their specialised posts—the so-called key posts—and have received, and seem likely to receive, precisely nothing.

Structures are probably useless. Throughout the intricate meanderings of the various financial settlements for "war service" in Hong Kong, consistency in policy has been conspicuously lacking. In some cases, the impression has been given of a suspicious haste to dispose of them, because of their magnitude, while yesterday's announcement, 32 months after the Liberation, covering the smaller fry, is sufficiently indicative of the opposite line of approach.

Fortunately for Government, there is little likelihood now of the bitter battle in Legislative Council which at one time threatened. By the decision of the Colonial Office and Imperial Treasury to treat large amounts advanced to Hong Kong as free grants, the cost of the big share-out has been removed from the shoulders of the Hong Kong taxpayer, and the issue has thereby been successfully side-tracked.

The commitment now announced may be similarly removed, for it might well be considered a logical step to attach it to the further free grant of £1,000,000 "to assist the Colony in resolving problems arising out of expenditure connected with the war." In this event, any attempt to stage a full-dress debate on the handling or mishandling of the various settlements could presumably be ruled out of order. There is nothing to suggest that the disposal of the £1,000,000 mentioned must come within the purview of the Legislative Council, any more than the £3,000,000 allocated to an airport, the scheme for which seems at the moment just as nebulous as that for the organisation of a Municipal Council.

To those who may now expect a welcome windfall as a result of yesterday's announcement, we extend congratulations without any excess of enthusiasm. We are far from sure that Government deserves any.

THE CHINA MAIL, THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1948.

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Thirty-Sixth
Instalment

THE EPIC OF THE GLOWWORM

might find. The Admiralty had the same idea, and at 0200 midday the following signal:

Prepare plans for attacking German transports and transports in Bergen and for controlling the approaches to the port on the supposition that defences are still in hands of Norwegians. Similar plans of regards Trondheim should also be prepared if you have sufficient forces for both.

The Admiralty sanctioned Admiral Forbes's plan for attacking Bergen, but later warned

Meanwhile our submarines were active in the Skagerrak and Kattegat. On the 9th the *Truit* sank the cruiser Karlshafen off Kristiansund, and the following night the Spearfish torpedoed the pocket-battleship Luetzow returning from Oslo.

Besides these successes submarines accounted for at least nine enemy transports and supply ships with heavy loss of life during the first week of this campaign. Our own losses were severe, and three British sub-

marines were also lost in the Skagerrak, including Avd British submarine and Katteteg. On the 9th the *Truit* sank the cruiser Karlshafen off Kristiansund, and the following night the Spearfish torpedoed the pocket-battleship Luetzow returning from Oslo.

There were also in the Skagerrak 23 merchant ships of various nations, including five British, six German, two Dutch, and one Norwegian. Three of our five destroyers had already attacked. The *Holst* had exploded in the engine room, and under heavy fire the destroyer was beached.

The last signal from the Hardy's Captain to his flotilla was: "Continue to engage the enemy."

Meanwhile, the *Hurier* had been sunk and the *Holst* and the *Holst*, which were both damaged, with the *Havock*, made for the open sea. They enemy who had barred their passage was by now in no condition to stop them. Half-an-hour later they encountered a large ship coming in from the sea, which proved to be the *Ravenel*, carrying the German reserve ammunition. She was fired upon by the *Havock* and soon blew up.

The survivors of the Hardy struggled ashore with the body of their Commander, who was awarded posthumously the Victoria Cross. He and they had left their mark on the enemy and in our naval records.

(To Be Continued)

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Government In
Hotel Business

London, May 25.

Members of the Indian and Pakistan delegations to the Sterling Balance talks in London will be the first guests at two superbly-fitted eight-storey state hotels, which the British Government opens this week.

The hotels are near Hyde Park, in London's fashionable Mayfair district.

The delegations will have their own separate entrances and will live entirely apart.

Conversion of the buildings from wartime Government offices was speeded up so that they would be ready for the Indian and Pakistan visitors. In 14 days—a "miracle of speed," according to Government Hospitality Chief Sir Eric Cranckshaw—old, ill-stocked offices were transformed by bright chandeliers, thick carpets, deep armchairs and art reproductions.

A staff of 55, with a former West End hotelier in charge, will take care of the guests and the kitchens will be able to provide world-wide varieties of food. The Government has opened its hospitality hotels because private hotel accommodation already overburdened public not have coped with the additional demands of Olympic Games visitors.

They are to operate for one year; then a decision on their future will be taken in the light of the accomodation position at that time.—Reuters

WALKED OFF
SHIP

London, May 25. Indian seamen walked off the steamer Empire Marshal at Tilbury Docks today because they did not want to sail to the United States. The steamer sailed from India over a year ago and the seamen said they had completed their contract and refused to sail to America.

The group sat silverying on the quay-side today, saying, "We want to go home."—United Press.

The People's Democratic Party, which yesterday nominated an "Action Committee" to ensure constituted left-wing representation in the Government, only partly succeeded today in its efforts to call a general strike.

In parts of Helsinki, Communist motorcades equipped with loudspeakers patrolled working-class districts shouting "the Government is a pack of fascists conspirators."—Reuters.

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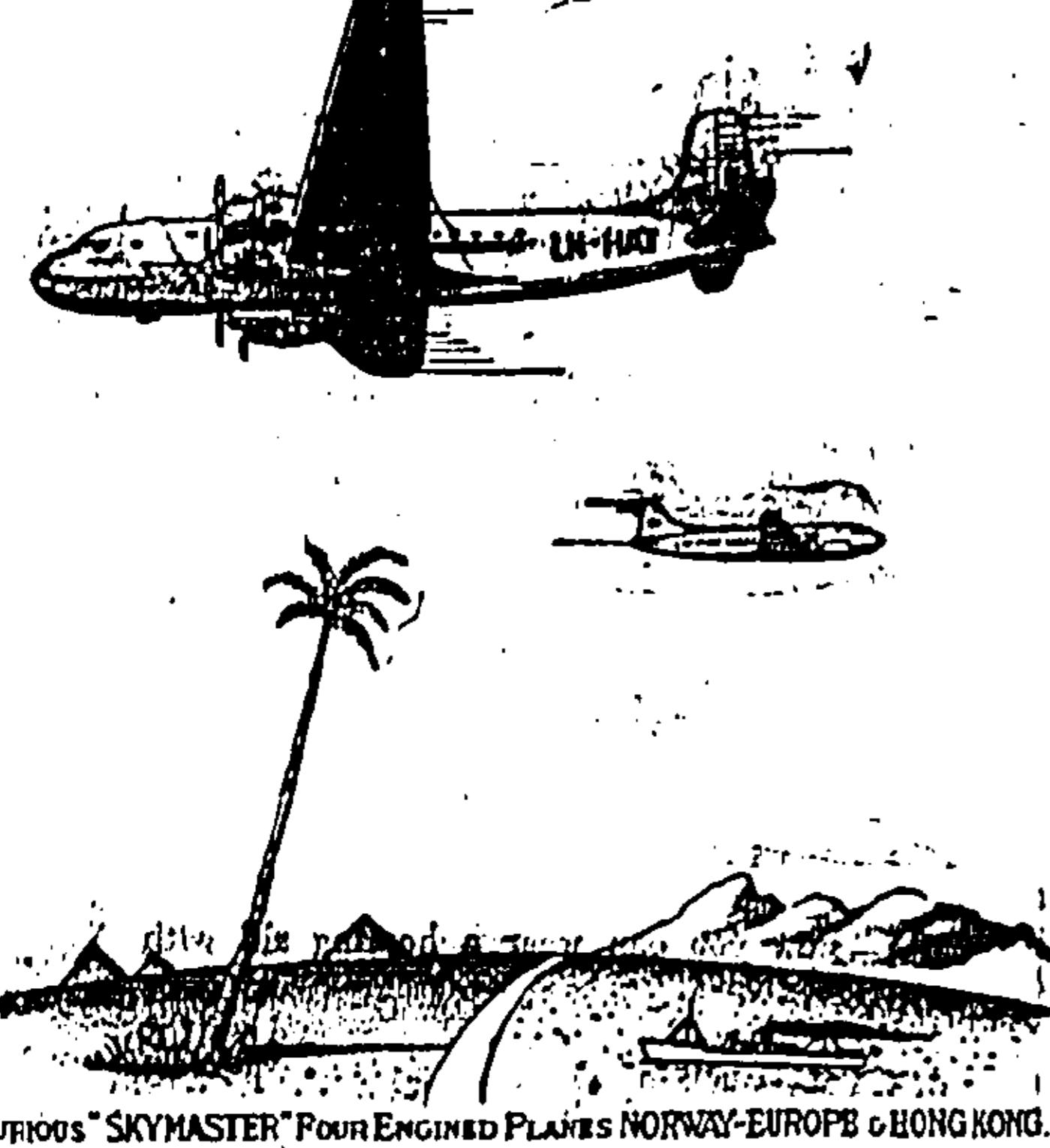


CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner

It's time to get out your costumes and face paint, because the carnival season is here! Whether you're dressing up as a superhero, a princess, or a wild animal, there are plenty of ways to have fun. From colorful masks to shiny sequins, there are lots of options to choose from. And don't forget to bring along some treats for the kids. With so many fun activities and games, it's sure to be a memorable day. So why not get ready to celebrate and have a great time?

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DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TRENDS TOWARDS THE STERLING AREA

Bank Of England Reserves Not Britain's Alone

(By Sydney Gammie)

With Indian and Pakistan delegates on their way here this week to negotiate a longer-term (though still not final) arrangement on their sterling balances, some important new trends are developing in both official and unofficial attitudes toward the sterling area.

These are affected by attitudes in Washington as to the conditions, if any, regarding sterling and the sterling area that should be laid down in the bilateral Anglo-American agreement for European Recovery Programme aid to Britain. Their influence will outlast both the Anglo-American bilateral agreement and the impending sterling agreements with India and Pakistan, because the United States Aid Administrator, Mr. Paul Hoffman, is establishing a "continuing committee" of United States bankers to advise him on such subjects, not only now but also in the future.

Perhaps the biggest development is the way in which high British authorities have recently been expounding India's own viewpoint. Almost they have seemed to be arguing India's own brief against themselves in the forthcoming negotiations.

In previous negotiations with India both sides have in fact tried hard to understand and meet the other's viewpoint. Latest utterances by British officials, however, evidently reflect their sensitivity to criticism, not only in Britain but even more in Washington E.R.P. circles—which can do more about it than can the home critics—that drawings on the sterling balances may undo the benefit of E.R.P. to Britain and thus weaken Britain's ability to help Europe including herself.

Between Two Fires
Whitehall has thus got caught between two fires. To India it has to defend Britain against excessive drawings—remembering that drawings which would be regarded as excessive here might be regarded as quite inadequate in India. To critics in Washington and Britain, it has to defend India's right to get any drawings at all.

Certainly Whitehall has been putting up a remarkably good case for India, so good that the Indian and Pakistan negotiators, when they arrive, will find much of their brief ready-made for them by the other side.

This agreement on fundamentals will narrow the area of dispute which will require negotiation, and it is less unrealistic than it may sound. Ever since the Anglo-American loan agreement laid down its scheme for settling the sterling balances—which included scaling down—it has appeared that Britain and India had a certain common cause against Washington as well as an area of dispute between themselves.

Britain Trustee

High British officials have thus been emphasising, perhaps more frankly than ever before, that the Bank of England's gold and dollar reserves are the reserves of the whole sterling area, for whom Britain acts as banker and trustee; and not the reserves of Britain alone.

They have been built up, by the gold and dollar earnings of the entire sterling area. Thus the British Treasury itself has pointed out that, whilst critics in Washington and Britain complain at the drawings on them by other members of the sterling area, the latter could equally complain at the large proportion spent by one member of the sterling area alone, namely Britain.

Of the gold and dollar drain of \$1,023 million in 1947, £277 million was, identifiably for account of Britain alone, and some part of the remainder was unidentified as such.

The Economic Secretary to the British Treasury has frankly admitted that India and the other members of the sterling area would be entitled to ask whether this is fair from their viewpoint.

Lower Outflow

Besides the Treasury's general desire to enlighten Washington, this new-found frankness may

Aquitania's New Job

Southampton, May 20.—The 84-year-old liner Aquitania, veteran of two world wars, will sail from Southampton for Halifax tomorrow on her first voyage under an agreement between the Canadian Government and the Cunard White Star Line to deliver British surplus goods to Canada.

The Aquitania is the only four-masted passenger liner in the world and carries 401 first class and 1,300 tourist passengers. It is estimated that she will carry 12,000 British emigrants on her 11 voyages to Canada this year.

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MARSHALL PLAN FOR ARMS?

Washington, May 25. Democratic Senator Walter George predicted today that next year Congress will be asked to provide an Armaments Marshall Plan, comprising between \$3,000 million and \$6,000 million, to help rear European nations opposed to Communism.

Senator George told a reporter that "It depends on who is elected President, and how far he wants to press the matter," adding "but I shall be surprised if Congress is not asked to provide between those amounts for rearming Western Europe."

He said that, among other things, the United States may be asked to help pay for modernising the British Navy and for increasing her air force.

"France does not have anything now in the way of war equipment and will have to start from scratch," he added.

He believed that if the Senate approved the regional defence resolution offered by Senator Arthur Vandenberg, the Western European nations would get together on their arms needs.

Reuter.

Bao Dai To Visit UK

Saigon, May 25. Bao Dai ex-Emperor of Annam, will leave here for London by plane on June 5, according to a member of the Emperor's staff.

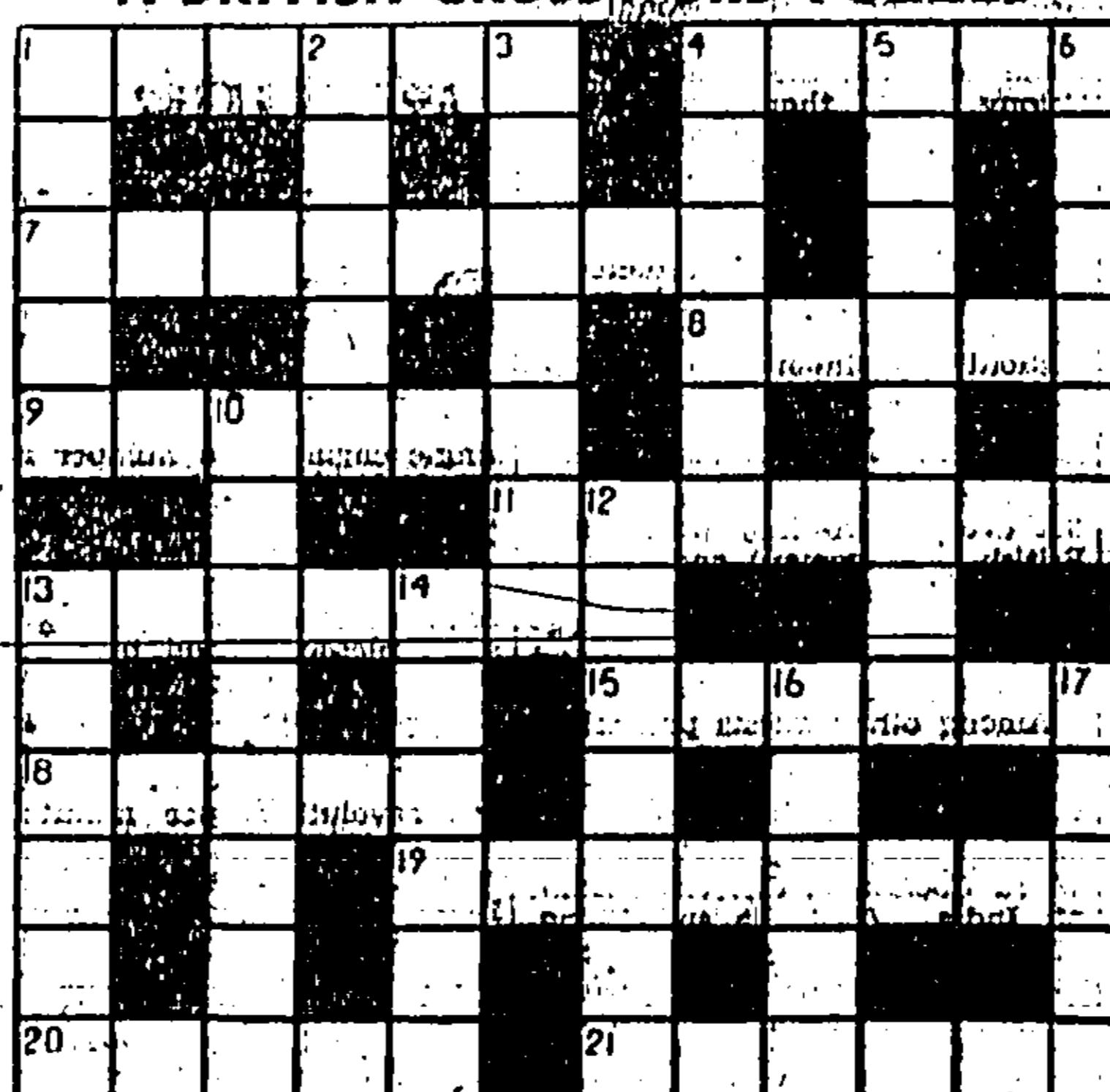
He will also visit Geneva and, if invited by the French Government, Paris.

Before leaving, he will see M. Emile Bollaert, French High Commissioner in Indo-China, and General Nguyen Xuan, Premier of South Viet Nam.—Reuter.

April. But simultaneously, Britain's own visible deficit in March and April was far bigger than in January and February and far bigger than Whitehall had expected.

Since the relevant figures are in futuro to be published, only quarterly, one will not know until July how these conflicting forces have affected the aggregate drain.

But meanwhile, until Britain's own external imbalance can be rectified, this development naturally makes Whitehall sensitive and rather anxious.—Reuter.

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE**Clues Across**

- 1 Burn, 13 Remote.
- 4 Selects, 15 Rise.
- 7 Point out, 18 Young mare.
- 8 Shelter, 19 Scope.
- 9 Menace, 20 Reverie.
- 11 Perfume, 21 Commission.

Yesterday's Crossword

- Across:—1 Chic, 4 Pasture, 8 Lair, 9 Undo, 10 Earning, 11 Curb, 12 Pork, 14 Slender, 17 Amuse, 19 Aster, 22 Treason, 26 Hale, 27 Mode, 28 Entreat, 29
- Down:—2 Hansom, 3 Clocks, 4 Piers, 5 Undo, 6 Tenon, 7 Range, 12 Pact, 13 Ruse, 18 Date, 19 Rare, 20 Homage, 21 Eleven, 23 Rinse, 24 Acrid, 25 Noted.

Clues Down

- 1 Rapid, 10 Determined.
- 2 Elevate, 12 Alarm.
- 3 Encourage, 13 Protest.
- 4 Summary, 14 Refuge.
- 5 Persuade, 16 Provide for.
- 6 Origin, 17 Trampic.

Raven, 30 Gear, 31 Meddled, 32 Yank.

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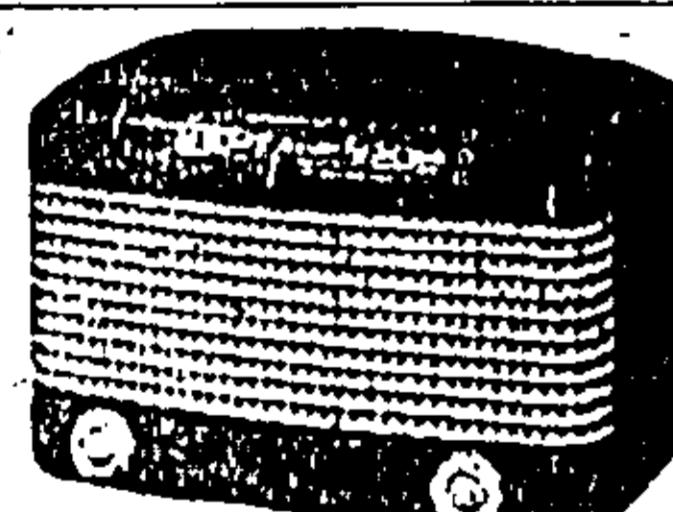
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Mr. U Tat Chee, addressing British Industrialists with close Hong Kong connections, at the Savoy Hotel on May 12. On the extreme left is Sir Sydney Caine, former Financial Secretary in Hong Kong, and on the other side of Mr. U Tat Chee is Sir Leslie Boyce, who headed the recent British Trade Mission to China.

HONG KONG INDUSTRIALISTS ENTERTAINED AT THE SAVOY

Seventy leading British industrial firms with close trade associations with Hong Kong were hosts to the Hong Kong delegation to the British Industries Fair at the Savoy Hotel on May 12.

Sir Leslie Boyce, who headed the recent British Trade Mission to China, presided, and proposing the toast of "Our Guests from Hong Kong," said that the British Mission's Report had received a widespread welcome and he commended a study of it to all who were interested in expanding trade with Hong Kong. This colony, he was pleased to say, had speedily re-established its trading position since the end of the war and he hoped it would long continue to maintain and expand its position as a show-window for British industrial activity in the Far East and as a gateway to the magnificent possibilities provided by China. He commended British industrialists to confidence in seeking trade in China. The present civil war would not last forever and far-sighted firms should prepare for the future by sending young men to the country who could learn the language and make the development of an expanding trade their life's work. Latest figures showed that Hongkong's imports in 1947 had expanded by 62 per cent and exports by 58 per cent over the preceding year and the general body of trade showed big expansion over pre-war figures.

Greatly Impressed

Mr. U Tat Chee, speaking as deputy to the leader of the delegation, Mr. Shum Choy Wah, conveyed the thanks of the delegation to Sir Leslie Boyce for his kindly welcome and said that the delegation had been greatly impressed by what they had seen at the British Industrial Fair. They looked forward with interest to their planned contacts with British industrialists in other parts of the country.

Sir Sydney Caine, C.M.G., proposing the toast of the British Industrialists who sponsored the gathering, spoke of his long association with Hong Kong and the confidence felt by the Colonial Office in its industrial possibilities. He paid special tribute to the work done by Mr. Grimwood, of the Hong Kong Government Office in London, in organising the function and to Mr. F.C. Millington, chairman and managing director of China Trade Press Ltd., who had acted as honorary secretary in detailed arrangements.

Metro-Vickers

Mr. R.V.D. Kirby, manager of the Eastern Division of Metropolitan Vickers Co. Ltd., in responding to this toast, expressed the pleasure felt at the opportunity provided for honouring the visitors from Hongkong. Although the delegation would receive many official welcomes, this was a private party of industrialists representing the types of organizations with which their visitors wished to make contact. He felt he could fairly say that in the past they had contributed a great deal to the development of Hong Kong and that they hoped to contribute by their crafts and services to its well-being in the future.

The delegation would find that although less than three years had elapsed since the defeat of Japan, considerable progress had been made in changing over from wartime needs to full scale peacetime pursuits and export endeavour. Since VJ Day, the heavy engineering industries of Great Britain had shipped to Hong Kong two major turbo-generator units, boiler plants, and auxiliaries and ancillaries specially designed and tailor-made jobs as well as replacement parts for essential equipment which was demolished.

Further, factories whose heads were represented at luncheon were now manufacturing two further extension power plants and were also building equip-

Continuous Rubber Strip

A new continuous method of producing rubber sheeting has been developed by the Steel Band Conveyors and Engineering Company Limited, of Davison Road Works, Birmingham, England. British manufacturers have felt for some time that a continuous process plant to convert latex into rubber sheet was needed to reduce manufacturing time. This new plant produces rubber strip .005 inch thick in a continuous length. The plant, an endless, beltless, steel-conveyor band, has latex fed to the top strand, which then passes through a heated chamber. The strip is then carried round on the

return strand, removal taking place under the feed end of the conveyor, where it is in a better condition than directly after leaving the heated chamber.

A light dusting of powder is applied to the strip when leaving the band, to prevent sticking when wound on to a spool.

An interesting feature is the simplicity of the method by which latex is applied in an even stream to the band. This avoids clogging difficulties often experienced with elaborate appliances. Leading authorities consider the strip highly satisfactory.

Revolution In Pipe Joints

New Device

A new device for the deaf has just arrived in the Colony. It is advertised as the smallest receiver in the world with from twice to six times greater power. Small as it is it contains a microphone, three tubes and four condensers. The makers have given it the trade name "Beltone."

A revolutionary type of pipe joint, using entirely new principles for connecting pipes of copper, lead, iron, glass, plastic, or indeed any material, is being shown at the British Industries Fair this year. No use is made of screwed threads or any type of locking device. Much lighter gauge tube than would normally be necessary can therefore be used. Projects & Developments Limited, of 26, Tontine Street, Blackburn, England, are the makers, and their exhibit is on view in the Birmingham section of the Fair.

A new protective coat for metals, a specially prepared plastic which is applied by spray or roller under controlled conditions of heat and humidity,

being shown at the British Industries Fair (Birmingham section) by Cellon Limited, of Kington-on-Thames, England. A film of .001 inches to .002 inches is recommended according to the purpose for which it is intended. The material air-dries in from 20 to 30 minutes and has extremely high tensile strength, coupled with great elasticity. It adheres tightly to the surface of the metal like a thin skin, but when its purpose has been served it can be removed without the use of solvents, by lifting a corner and pulling it off. It protects metal indefinitely from tarnish and scratching, and is sufficiently tough and elastic to allow a polished sheet to be pressed before the coating is removed.

In production in the United Kingdom is a 10 lever rim automatic deadlock developed after three years of design and experiment. It has overcome all the weak features of ordinary locks and experts in lock picking regard it as unpickable. Designed to fit in with modern door thicknesses and strengths, the patented staple gives a shear strength of two tons. The ten levers afford more than one million differs per key section, so every purchaser is guaranteed a different key combination. Ingersoll Docks Limited of South Ruislip, England, are the makers.

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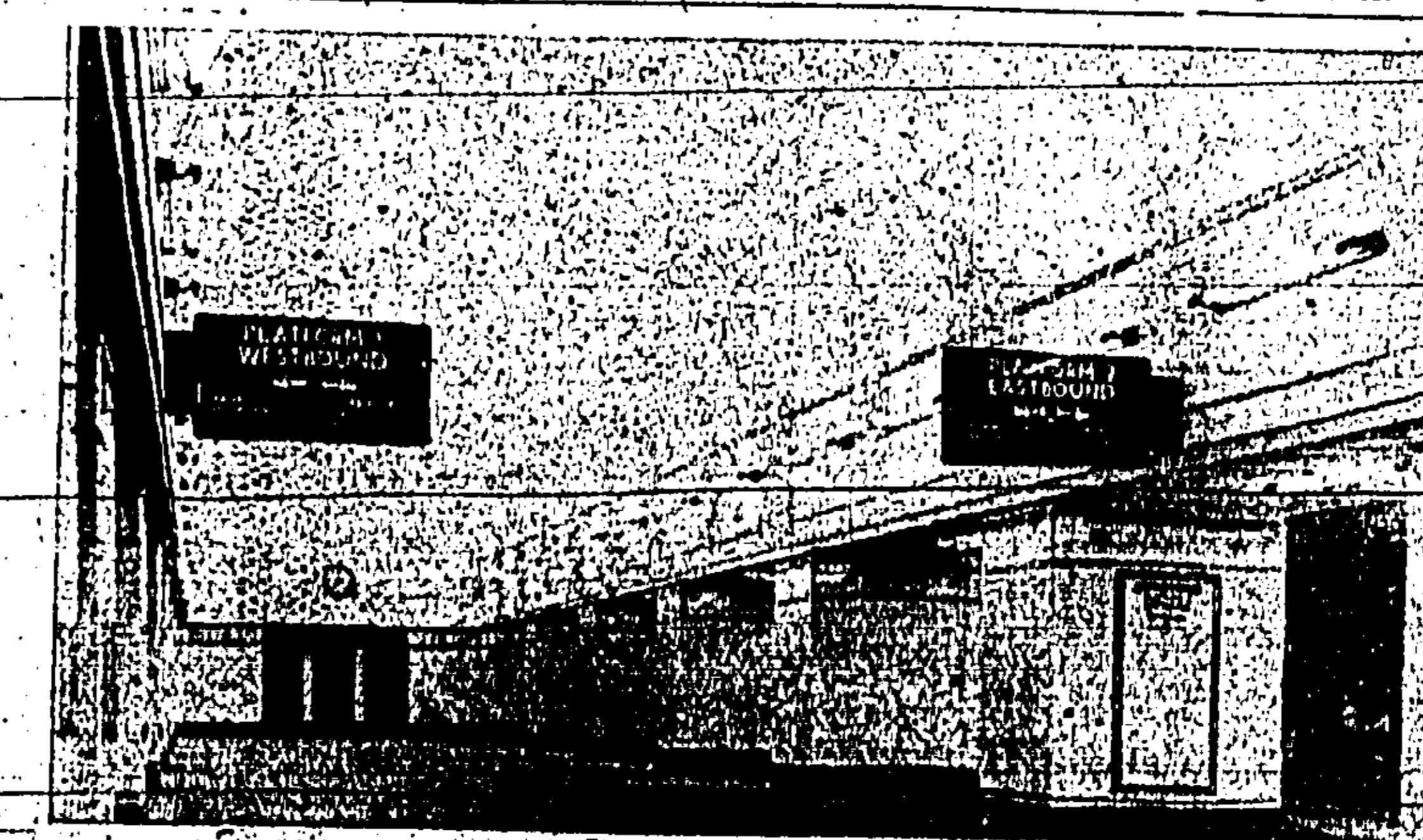
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NEW COMMUNIST REGIME
Step Towards Rival China Government
"Liberated Area"
OF North

San Francisco, May 25:
The Chinese Communist radio announced today that the Reds had set up a united "administrative region," with a population about as large as Franco in seven North China provinces.

The broadcast from North Shensi did not call it a rival government for China, but it apparently was a step in that direction.

The broadcast was heard by the Associated Press in San Francisco. The new Communist set-up will be called the "North China Liberated Area." The Red radio said it is composed of the major part of Hopeh and Shansi provinces, and part of Shantung province on the East, part of Honan on the south and parts of Jehol, Chahar and Suyuan on the north.

The Government—and Communist Party's bureaux have been merged, and the two armies of that area have been placed under one administration.

The radio broadcast that "the North China Liberated Area contains China's fertile agricultural plains and rich coal regions."

Yenan Capital?

The area, as outlined by the Reds, embraces all Communist holdings in North China except for those in Shensi province. This omission may or may not be significant. North Shensi contains the old Communist capital of Yenan, which recently was

Japanese Mission In Pakistan

Karachi, May 25. The Japanese trade mission under the leadership of W. R. Caton, chief of the cotton branch of S.C.A.P. in Tokyo, arrived in Pakistan today by air from India where they stayed two weeks.

The mission was received by officials of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in the Pakistan Government at Karachi airport.

A Pakistan Commerce Ministry official told the Associated Press: "Between Aug. 15 (the date when Pakistan was established) and Dec. 15, Pakistan exported to Japan only raw cotton valued at 8,500,000 rupees."

"Besides Japan wants to buy from Pakistan—jute, hides, skins and other raw materials."—Associated Press.

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"TJIBADAK"	8th June, from Macassar & Javaports	to Javaports & Macassar 23rd June
"TJISADANE"	from Amoy 20th May	to Javaports & Macassar, 9th June
"TJIBESAR"	In port	to Macassar & Javaports 28th May

ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	from Kobe & Shanghai 10th June	to South Africa, South America, via Manila, Straits & Batavia 12th June
"TEGELBERG"	from South America, South Africa, 19th June	to Shanghai & Japan 20th June
"RUYS"	from South Africa, South America, end July	to South Africa, South America, Mid August

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SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

	Arrivals	Sailings
"VAN HEUTZ"	from B. Dell & Straits 20th May	to Straits & B. Dell 6th June
"HEINRICH JESSEN"	from B. Dell & Straits 11th June	to Straits & B. Dell 10th June

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	Arrivals	Sailings
"RIDDERKERK"	from Japan & Shanghai 29th May	to Europe via Straits 31st May
"MARIEKERK"	from Europe 5th June	to Europe via Straits 7th July
"MOLENKERE"	from Europe, 20th June	to Europe via Straits, 28th July

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	Late July	m.v. "MINDORO"

ARRIVALS

From	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	17th June	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"

SAILINGS

Foe	Date	Vessel
Atlantic Coast via Los Angeles	23rd June	s.s. "DONA AURORA"
Atlantic Coast via San Francisco & Los Angeles	Mid. July	m.v. "DONA NATI"
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

AMERICAN COTTON FOR CHINA
Washington Clamps Down On Orders

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

The Economic Cooperation Administration had to clamp down on Chinese orders for cotton in the United States, Under-Secretary of Commerce William C. Foster said today.

Mr. Foster told the U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee that ECA had arranged to buy US\$5,000,000 worth of supplies for China, mostly cotton and rice.

But, he said, the Chinese jumped the gun with "extraordinarily large" orders for cotton in this country.

If the ECA refuses to pick up the bill for these orders, he said, the Chinese could spend what dollars they have for cotton and ask for some other type of American aid.

Ahead Of Europe

"We think we should keep militant control over their spending dollars, to keep the programme in balance," Mr. Foster declared.

Committee Chairman Bridges asked how aid is going to China, saying: "I have a feeling that China has been more or less an orphan child in the aid programme and that the State Department has been dragging its feet somewhat."

Mr. Foster replied that as a matter of fact the China programme is ahead of the European programme. He said this is true because only basic aid commodities are involved and because the ECA has to deal with only one movement in China's case.—Associated Press.

SILVER AND GOLD MARKETS

London—Silver, Spot, fine ounce, 45d; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce, 172/3.

New York—Silver, Bar (asked price), 74% cts.; Bar, Gold, per fine ounce, \$5.44.

Bombay—Silver, Ready, per 100 tolas, 171 Rupees, 05 Annas.

Forward, fine ounce, 171, 05 Marwari (unofficial), 170, 15.

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One tola is equal to 3/4th of an ounce.

Buenos Aires—Sovereign, buyers 83.00, sellers 85.00; U.S. Engles, 105.00b, 175.00b; Gold, Bar, per Gramme, 8.80b, 9.40b.

Bangkok—Gold, Bar, per baht-weight of 15.244 Grammes, unquoted; Exchange Rate (Selling), Bangkok on New York T.T. 20.26, London 60.50, Hong Kong 3.70.

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Paris Free Market Rates—Ingots: Fine Gold, ingots, with delivery of Counterpart, per gramme, 234/244 frs.; Without Counterpart, 490/525; Silver Ingots, per Kilo, 5,700b, 6,000b; Platinum Ingots, per Kilo, 800,000b, 855,000a.—Reuter.

Money Market

Gold opened at \$320.50 a tael and declined to \$319. It then rallied to \$324.50, and kept more or less to this level till the close when it eased off a slightly to \$323.75. The undertone was steady.

Deliveries totalled 7,000 taels, of which 4,700 were official and 2,300 unofficial.

Platinum opened at \$10.82½ a 100 and remained unchanged throughout the day.

Chinese National Currency futures opened at 4.8 cents and closed at 4.55 cents (for CN\$10,000). Spot was unchanged at 4.55 cents.

Ticals were unchanged from the previous day at \$26.00 a 100. NEF Guilders improved to \$42.80 a 100.

U.S. dollars were steady at \$5.44½.

Sterling was unchanged at \$12.35, and Australian pounds were easier at \$12.54.

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 25th June, 1948, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, at 10 a.m., 20th May, 1948.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 31st May, 1948, will be subject to rent.

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"PAKHOU" Japan Ports, 1st week June
"HUNAN" Amoy, Tewtin &
Inchon, 10 a.m. 9th June
"ANHUI" Amoy, Swatow, Holhaw,
Saigon, Singapore &
Penang, 10 a.m. 9th June
"FENGTIEN" Japan ports, 10 a.m. 13th June
"SZECHUEN" Bangkok & Salgon, Mid June

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ARRIVALS FROM

"SHENGKING" Shanghai, 7 a.m. 29th May
"TSINAN" Swatow, 10 a.m. 30th May
"PAKHOU" Port Swetienham, 2nd June
"NEWCHIWANG" Singapore, 6th June
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U.K. via Straits 29th May
5th June

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LIMA (R.I.), Dutch, 4,758 tons,

ex-Manila, Capt. A. Kou, Tsui Wan

LOKANG (Jardine), British, 1,867 tons,

ex-Hankow, Capt. T. H. Lee, 112

MING 302 (C.M.N.), Chinese, 115 tons,

ex-Kowling, Capt. B.K. Chen, Yen-i

NOEL (Wallen), 3,729 tons, ex-Bilma-

re, Capt. Chr. Salvesen (D.E.S.),

REINHOLD (Wallem), Norwegian, 2,317

tons, ex-Shanghai, Capt. B.M. Nik-

sen, R.W.H.

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